

AAROOR ARCANUM

AND

PRITVI

A PLAY

A METAPHOR

A SERVICE

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To my Parents

The Merits are Hers - His

The Flaws are entirely mine

Let my - ness perish!

SAS

GRACIAS

I wrote Arcanum and Pritvi months ago for only a few, counting on the subject that somewhat cared more about me than I really deserved. Time and pains gave themselves to turn this work into what the few might, - instead of what the many must, - read. I dreaded another thing at last and therfore find as I leave it. the sequence or choric - dramatic form was literarily of no more importance than a backdrop requires, and stress lies on the words in the development of the word. This book is often times the word. The Book is Veena: little else is worth critical strumming!

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FOREWORD

Punditji Thiru S. Narasimha Raghavan

and

Sekkizhar-Adi-p-podi Thiru T.N.Ramachandran and

Professor K.G. Seshadri

स्मर तं थिनु मां थिनु तां थिनु गां इति हृद गगन घ्वनयन्त	मजम् ।
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आगर्भ कोशदाद्वारं आनन्दध्वनि नादिनि ।	, ,
शिशु विणा धूत तन्त्रि श्रौत ब्रह्म दिदृक्षति ॥	(२)
स्फुटेतरद् दर्धि रेखा मूर्छाक्षेत्रेऽति विस्तृते ।	(-)
कला कलाप संदर्शी कोऽयं कालं जिगिषति ॥	(३)
आतोद्य मध्य मंत्रीर शिजा मधुर शिजितात् ।	(v)
परमानन्द मन्विष्यन् अजपा सुख मश्नुते ॥	(8)
लौकिकानां हि साधूनां अर्थं वागनुवर्तते ।	(1.)
तत्वज्ञस्य कवेरस्य वाचमर्थोऽनुधावति ॥	(4)
पृथिवी मध्य बिन्दुस्य पृथुरत्न समुद्भवा ।	(5)
सौन्दर्यलहरि सात्र प्लावयत्यात्मतापसम् ॥	(ξ)
नारायणः शंकर पूर्वकोऽयं नारस्य तत्वं निगामान्त सिद्धम् ।	(10)
आरूरु गुह्यार्थ मिषेण नूनं प्राचीकशत् पारनिविष्ट दृष्टिः ॥	(৩)

It is difficult to read Aaroor Arcanum; it is even more diffict comprehend it. For it is about Arcanum and again about Aaroo Pritvi Kshetra. Pritvi is Earth. The earth presented before us it one sense, untillable stubborn glebe. However, the discerning can very well behold the fertile soil beneath the hard surface at due time can make use of it and gain harvest after harvest unexampled excellence.

The opening verse is a concealed invocation of the Lord of Hill (Vanmeekanaathan/Putridam Konda Puraathanan¹). Hentempled in Poongkoyil (the flowery shrine). The flower, no do is Kamalam (Lotus). The second stanza reveals this fact wher poet affirms thus:

Here is also indicated the lila of Veethi Vitangkan in which Ve

"......I hear the calyx whispering the secretive act of the Lord....."

Vitangkan the prince, gets involved. "The car justifies the Highwa a fix". This Highway is St. Sekkizhaar's Arasulaam Veethi² highway reserved for the royalty). Stanzas 3 and 4, inter alia, ref Nami Nandi Naayanaar. "For his sake waters lit and waters fed. Stanza 5 hails the glory of the militant saivite Naayanaar, a Ker known as Virannmindar. Stanza 6 sings the glories of Ammai-A (Mother-Father form of Siva). It is this androgynous deity that cor Gnosis on mellowed Bakthas. Tiruvaaroor is indeed the Poli Gnosis. "Tenamar solai Tiruvaarooril Gnanam thannai nal

பூதம் யாவையின் உள் அலர் போடிதன வேதமூலம் வெளிப்படு மேதினிக் காதல் மங்கை இதய கமலமாம் மாதெரர் பாகஞர் ஆகுர் மலர்ந்தவால்

nanmaiyum"³ (The conferment of the weal of Gnosis at Tiruvaa girt with melliferous groves) are the words of St. Maanickavaacha The source for stanza 7 is the Periva Puranam, St. Sekkizhaar s

> [In every embodied soul, the heart burgeons Even as a bud blossoms; from the lotus-heart

^{1.} வன்மீகநாதன் / புற்றிடம் கொண்ட புராதனன்

^{2.} அரசுலாம் வீதி

^{3.} தேனமர் சேரலை திருவாகுரில் ஞானம் தன்னை நல்கிய நன்மையும்

Of the lovely Mother-Earth Whence effloresces the seed of the vedas Aaroor of Ardhanaariswara has blossomed].

Aaroor Arcanum is full of echoes from the Saivaite Tirumurais. It is good to bear this in mind.

- T.N. Ramachandran

However the work is a poetic projection of Prof. S.A. Sankara Narayanan's conception, perception and visceral response to the sacred city of Thiruvarur with its famous temple of the Lord, the Lotus tank and the many religious and literary associations which they invoke in his mind.

The work is an extraordinary one, almost beyond the comprehension of the lay reader. This is because the author has simply recorded his thoughts as they came to him in a rush almost like the rapids of a jungle river. One is reminded of Coleridge's description of the river Alph in his `Kublakhan'.

Words hurl themselves forward, they hurtle, they are spilled out in an uninterrupted headlong flow. The reader has to piece out the meaning from the torrent of words, drawn from all branches of knowledge, languages, Science and Mythology included.

Echoes from poets like Tennyson, Shelley, Eliot, Goldsmith can be heard, by a discerning scholar-reader alone, sometimes the writer daringly coins words even like Keats or Shakespeare.

Very often the association of ideas is too rapid, to make sense, except to the creator and his circle. The words seem to gallop like a drunken horse that is riderless. There is a riot of words. One brings out the other by verbal association, by alliterations, rhyme, and assonance as in Anthony Burgess's "Nothing like the Sun" Without meaning to be derogatory, one can say that S.A.S. has outjoyced Joyce himself, in his pursuit along this stream of consciousness in his chase, after his own private Holy Grail.

The total effect is something of awe married to beauty like a block of diamondiferous one. The liberty which he takes with syntax and grammar is something one can never see anywhere. Sometimes a whole line is formed out of hyphenated words.

Wheel-Mud-clay-pot-kiln-flame-scud-play-sky-verse. If pun is a golden apple to Shakespeare, rhyme and alliteration are the golden

apples to the writer, which take him away beyond the track into bys and bylanes and they go on and on till they join the main line a while.

But the phenomenal sense and feel for words of the writer uniquely his own. Little nuggets of gold flash and beckon the resers attention every now and then as the poem rolls along; Fexample,

- Enter in abandon, you are born ahead, And for this you become Sivaganam And thine servitor verily become.
- The Foot ones with Heart; the Blighter, fighter; Suffering soars to the rank of Epic grace; Thoughts wrestle and yield to poetic face.
- 3. Reachless thou art for lingua is spell bound. And winding words of mine are last blossoms! Language-Kid lisps with its biteless gums.
- Make me Thy bowl and a recipient Thy vessel and pre-server of Thy flow.
- 5. Where is the suture line, I search in vain? Is His Left blue or Her Right red in hue?

All said and done, there is no denying the fact that S.A. Sankaranarayanan is a hidden genius at work a logophile whose unique cerebration drives him on when the fit is upon him, to fulfil his cocoethes scribendi (itch to write) till his utterance gives him relief. Though communication may not be his long suit, there is beauty behind all his granary of words, nobility of thought covered up in verbal outpouring and a clear current of piety which is unaffected by the abstruseness of expression, for all that it reminds one of Edmund Burke's description of Chatham's ministry of "All the Talents," "A tessellated pavement without cement - here a bit of black stone there a

It is perhaps like Cosmos emerging out of primordial chaos.

The reader cannot escape the pangs of birth.

- K.G. Seshadri

AAROOR ARCANUM

by S.A. SANKARANARAYANAN



I

Images move. Dust columns to bamboo;
Ant-Hills cave to collect His bloomy spray;
Folded hands are ever folded to pray
Him leaving unleaving the icy blue
Now adance on dais cordial to view.
His face beams, the rest is dark with no ray.
Denebola shines and Red Betel gay
Swings His car upon the servitor-crew.
In a stir I breathe now ere I breathe out;
The stars tell me the rest of the red dustHours of Lord's manifold play and my doubt
Too dear to analyze, too close to crust
Of Earth here born freed in Her roundabout
And leave me-ontic-PoongKoyil-possess'd.

PoonKoyil is the name, I hear the calyx'

П

Whispering the secretive Act of Lord;
The flower shows the petal; but the bow no chord;
In Blue blue by an enskied chemic mix;
The car justifies the Highway in a fix;
When the bell chimes Timely you hear the sword;
Vikraman-cut-stone Southern corridor'd
Sings Manu,Chola,Justice,Cow,Axis
Wheel and calf,coronation and sacrifice.
The cow and the King are in one oneness;
'Is there a tether there interimwise?'
I ask and peep into the openness
O'er PoonKoyil's top and into the skies.
The flower of Beings e'er there circuit and bless.

Ш

Seclusion and I vis-a-vis, past care
Evening warbles in hues unknown to state
Of that tenuous virbrant Dancer Laureate,
O! reflexes, walk me unto His Square
Propitious,far-famed in obscure wear
For me to efface my-I-and rotate
This being thro' here and there early and late
Reading Him ostensibly showing fair
Up the pedestal'd heart asleep astir
In transparent joy to rid that blemish
Integrall'd like verdigris in copper.
Here is a King's Corona, here Threerthas Wish
To glow a wick by Nami Nandi's lighter
Gowpenfuls to set aside the darkish.

IV

Enter in abandon, you are born ahead,
And for this you become Sivaganam
And I thine servitor verily become.
NamiNandi's is a word ever said;
For his sake waters lit and waters fed,
Handfuls-of-mud-turned-calyces did hum
The hexad,octad,pentad and the sum
Of Foot, Face of crest,of Hill where seated
Are our Beings with Ourness none mixed
Like waters with waters and flowers with flowers
Balancing themselves on the agate of red
O'er the spread of Time aeonically hours
Flaming like His Eye so red-gianted
As Betel-geuse-break for grace grain showers.

\mathbf{v}

A heap of deeds. Out there a heap of grains!
Get, therefore, born oncemore in seeding Time!
Formica! He's His little Hill in prime.
Transforming foot and summit by endless chains;
For All Time is His, All is His, Mountains.
Soul in Parai What a swing, the cinders claim;
The backdrop and relief suffer the aim;
Me, I Mine, in all their writhing pains
Simply perish and lorn languages, lax
To dispel a doubting Siddhantin's doubt.
Viranmindar did see the crescent wax
Up showing the digits bleed out and out.
In the beginning the unborn deed lacks
The word, as Pritvi moons and spins about.

VI

Shows the Foot its filial-form Mother-Father;
Gnosis Aaroor taps; deed and Aaroor glide
Like bird-twain poised on a wing a side;
Where deed o'ersteps gnosis bounds it there.
'Rope the cow afar in', means the tether;
The Swan is yet to know beneath the hyde;
The boar is Svetasvatara aside;
Even the flower knows the footwork hither
The Foot and its Print and the Kazhal and its thud
Let the heart throb to feel the Foot in the heart
Like waterfowls do fine the water bed
In drenchless dip and dive and floating art
Whereby feathers greased have their dews shed
Upon one firmament of faith apart.

VIII.

See here Earth unfolds and flowers alike In inward confirmation of heart adance As cordial beat-and-tap in fusing stance By blossoming ripening overlaying strike In premonitions of pre-face in hike Thro' adaptation gross all in a glance, With Foot as vessel and mouthpiece in trance Vouching for the substance in the mosaic Of outlined thoughts too many in the steep Of oft rippled pool waking as a flower Building the metaphysic of sleep Based on the cavernous symbol of `ever' In profound certitude flower-stalk deep Clocking waters clocking imminent hour.

VIII

Here nenuphar flowers at one stroke complete
Telling the dance as limit of happening
Before flowering when Time in layam condensin
Fills the language-holes of speech hymnic swee
Water-plants lie between classic mythic feat
And the birth of Earth in upheavalling,
Rising culture to religious bearing
In the morning of our Yuga's missing feet.
Illusion chivalrous merges in the mire;
And new Maayaa fabulous heralds-enacts
All matter and saga, pealing thro' Siva's ire
As subtle stir, chaining legends and acts
Sixty and Three Hundred, tending in a gyre,
Seizing on its reaches, as founder-facts.

IX '

The Foot ones with Heart; the Blighter, fighter;
Suffering soars to the rank of epic grace;
Thoughts wrestle and yield to poetic face;
The seer and seeker and singer Sundarar
Recede like grain into seed and enter
The mystic pentad cognate with the place,
One with Pritvi in elucidating haze,
Flowering to a breviary for believer!
Waters culted themselves into lilies;
The umbra of the hill locked the Being
In unity of grains of sandy crease
Lining the premiss of river rising
Its regime over the alluvial frieze
Syncretic and foot-wrought by Lord's Cloistering.

\mathbf{X} .

Does the fetter'd Earth sleep in sleepless sleep,
Athwart in a spinning disposition?
In break-up of spins of Nus,Logos,`One
Of Deus ex causa materialis'leap
From fundamental to firmamental deep,
Of foot aloft and foot in relation
To soft-lotus-mud-Tyaagaa's thud in one
As homoousia undual'd to keep
Aaroor-born as fore-released Pneuma
Convening all the would-be born by day,
By night, through letters led by spirit and soma
Down the 'physis' dwelt in uncreate way?
Her Womb feels the kicks and saults and schema
Of the chattel'd tempo in liturgic lay.

XI

Behold this Vanmeeka and cella dark
And dumb and everything in an envelope
Of a mere moment grounded in a stope
Possessing an 'inward' as firm and stark
As His very footing boring its mark
In a school'd sculpturesque fine feel of hop
Planted on the full sole in a draped tope
In proportion'd emphasis, in an arc
Of understanding, vaulting over a vast,
Set on a plane in disembodiment
Yet as relief with secret inter-past-and-now in inaccessible vestment.
Friend, crave for an inward kinship at last
For articulate union with what's meant.

XII

Sweet Aaroor, loveliest, is red-mud-Hill'd As baulk of moolasthaanaa covering in A stir dynamical deep without din, Yet as speaking peripetros' templum will'd Where His Affirmation Negation Kill'd; Symbol'd as Soma in pantheon'd run With perplex'd sympathy to duration; Piety stirs and elongates oft enough; Thronging servitors fill the implicit Hole as slow-rhythm'd syntax and image Like the rustle of a leaf, warm,ray-lit With Sun's ascent on wheeling Car's rank rag Still rolling on a Solitude unlit By the antics of murky scud's umbrage.

XIII

, the soil binds the communicant he mystic company in meet. rifices many, endless repeat very breath's solemn progress as chant. what a muffled organ fugue aslant!, solid sound-slope of cantata beat! tude houses multitude replete a love steep'd in music, in star-lit haunt. es the Ant-Hill past the visual bounds etching night, absorbing tone colours; d-graven image has no likeness nor rounds any complete cognition of the hours. Is eternal space into Pritvi grounds orgied denial in deep-felt showers.

XIV

s dance is beauty and sign coalesced high, igingly pursued yet dreaded as vault, w a spiritual quickening halt; w enchanted summing of the sky, a proto-dais of sihouetted try, this city of Vedic gestalt, epos, and symbol-expediency, yond the net of 'tattwas' and 'Kalai'; Iding and embellishing the inhalt one soft-footfall as a line, a thud neless, capital'd and arched in the wake, a meandering supplement of mud spun-surface in the divine delta-bed, rhythm'd pillar-base in symphonied take, panding sounds ever direction-led.

XV

Ant-Hill is one single cosmic volume.

When cavernous, it is Lord's imblued throat;

When space, it is but manifest roundabout.

It passes O'er in silence between fume

(On analytic space, to exhume)

Of breath and its in-exhaled double route

Uncorporeally copied in genuine quote

Of dance of mathematic in Time's Loom.

Young Kali must age by slow mutation

By boding symbol of striving no more

When in repose mud meditates in fun

Of Now, unstaying Time's consecutive core.

Vishnu wakes not, nor sleeps. The erect stone

Sequences the Eye to hitch to the red-ore.

XVI

Wander from one to next,Lord's breath becomes Continuous-present-absent tending far back Into an impulse to express a lack That fails the human word to come to terms With no witness to dance or mime in forms Of rhythm imitating to cure the crack In dichotomous native-alien track Religious like a poised bird in storms Or a float unbuoy'd giving to waves' sway-Asking the beings to take up the soft beat In bearing and movement as they do pray To look over the precipiced Earth and greet Sacred secrets of connubium gay.

XVII

Friend, here is a secret muted, draped
As Hymn-strophe pari passu with TimeBorn-space and interlaced space-torn-Time
In a thud-language with hope and breath caped
Round the facades of architecture shaped
Beneath a polychromed lined sky's enzyme
Frescoe'd with a gleam and silent chime,
Of Blue Denebola adroitly wrapped.
The emerald stone knows the theory
Against the fast pride of the human soul,
With an ethic of a ritual reverie
Showing me the smallness of my scale
Chiding my evasion for me all to see,
The anti-plastic and unpictorial soul.

XVIII

I feel for the presentiment of secret charm;
Now,I'm timid, despondent, new,vivid,
Seeking a relation with what is hid.
I fear the cataclasm of form,
Its suppress'd adornment with hold of norm,
Its mounting into the high-face-eye-lid
Radiating thro' cilium a fencing grid
Of iridiscent light of pendant calm;
Here days and nights are pageant pens of light,
Inspiring me with a cavern ceiling;
And under a showless richness webb'd bright
Meaning the interior, the deep stealing
Into a concentrate of Lotus'd rite!
Will the sanctum disclose this quester's feeling?

XIX

Is this consul-statue of Light and shade?
O! by a contrapuntal point of view
Mobility halts in the arabesque
Like a latent shuffled out acanthus blade
Of a leaf masterpieced half green half made.
Dusty-screen fills up the sur-space anew
In tendril-work, leitmotiv in lieu
Of what cannot be known or shown or displayed.
When drapery means, meanings dominate
The pure physiognomic piquant deep
Re-strains the space and arias in spate
As orchestral scores of spirited steep
And wakefulness thro' all things mediate
Past the tonal aulos or feel of sand-heap.

$\mathbf{X}\mathbf{X}$

Can I predicate a genus 'risen'moon
Long adance enduringly in outline
As flecks of light and shade by ponderous sign
Dissimilarly mosaic'd in pious swoon
As a rare stretch of imagined frontal dune
Of dust ingathered night-watch, again,
Again as merest external incline
Of structural member inclosing a tune
Refrained from the naval, thro'heart and throat
Impressing as something screening shielding;
The foot and the face in a twilight float
Of unenvisaged dial of day yielding
To the fine-articulate trunk of thought
As motive of the facade in fileding?

XXI

Here the Face dertmines the choice and spirit
Of all the freestanding form of Art
Well endorsed as a relief or a part
Archaic, semi-reminiscent and split
O! front invisible, non spatial bit
Closing off the conjectured slender start
Obeying, overcoming the Hill and Heart
Ere beholder could foreshorten it!
Is secret exactly paralleled by late
Sculpturesque surging as a pediment
Advancing the fresco of space animate
Into the somatic veristic front
As testimony to inlay of state
'Of Lord's, musically participant!

XXII

Here the Lotus-eye as effect of Light
Transmutes the tones dissolving the ceiling.
Here the polyphonic trills of feeling
Are vassal'd in servitorship Outright.
Lord's will matures in the secret of Night!
That disavows day on its stealing
That bursts as passion bridally kneeling
Before the unmanifest depth outright.
Seek the Lord; His foot outside the limits
Of deep undercurrents riverine proves
And confirms the feeling e'er there by fits
And starts, which the soul comprehends with loves
Deflecting to repudiate the exhibits
Fastening in stone their inward shares and moves.

XXIII

The stopped-river upheaves in ambient space Not flowing nor freezing in contain'd kick Nor rising into an invasive thick Of unconscious spectator's distant gaze! Take this severe esoteric as a craze; Is it itself, a speakless lookless trick Cutting into the space its unseen nick Urgently neighbouring the secret haze Down beneath the empurpled neck of Lords' Reversing the meaning of form or tone, (Even the profanum vulgus of bards) Without the smallest inkling of His zone And dulling the distance-sense or retards Adverting the still unkown from the Known?

XXIV

The River pools and takes the looker in;
The peepshow field, enframed is so stair-cased;
That one must descend and descent is traced,
Twin with the undigited dais on spin
In deliberate oblivion or din,
Of foreground and marked background so transplace
Deepening the field, the pool devoutly graced,
To woo Earth and not impugn love akin
To the 'intangible' 'tween Face and Foot
Despite unity of space! The fixed sphere
Confers the spirit of awe to compute
Celestial sight in circular fear
Of a worthy symbol wistful, mute
Adance to widen my eye in a tear.

XXV

low the moon librates his Aaroor vector specifying a counter-Art without space n Matter of composition in case nsisting on its pendence on and for rawing a depth-experience on decor lyriad dimension'd as locks in his place is meander-sytheses of phase-by-phase of a pitch of stable secant sector of a grasp too clear and dear for the eye setting me marching with a sightless swing of reckon a new spatial ordering of light-and-line-meet in abinitio-sky where phenomenal primes are carrying!

XXVI

s sky the palette to red, blue and white,
o Capella, Vega or Betelgeuse,
o bring in a colour blindness to use,
s hypothesis brought forward to write
gamut of permissive zones of sight
o know more of whites than reds, reds than blues
secondary genital sense to choose
here a higher art of ash as a prime rite?
io, heavens and plains, and noons and mountains
low atmospheric, now substantial
lisembodied, boundless with labour pains
latch a continuo infinitesmal
and thus emerald goes coral in skeins
of thousand nuances of thought aerial!

XXVII

Aerial clothes Linear, the secret gestates
And Eye plunges in Timeless tapestry
And Aaroor pulls out into a remote Free
Beyond the fresco'd ageless mantled, gates
Of azure of celestial celebates
Affecting an aloof purity in spree
As polytheistic milk hiding ghee
As market hiding holidays and dates
In immediateness of life as chance
In naive dispensation from inner hues
For Prime symbol curtains parent-dance
Metaphysical in entoptic dues
To clear life's struggle with acceptance,
With indoor, silent, unemphatic Muse!

XXVIII

Timeless-Become is Aaroor as Music
Of chamber and Statue far standing free
With climatic disproof nigh necessary
For meaning and intent trans-visually thick
Like flame adance on circumambient wick
Missing a dark here, dominating three
Times it missed by symbolic wizardry
Above the purple codices of Lord's neck!
If sense barriers, strive to infinity;
Striving ruled out, eye the spiritual cavern;
For all happenings in a divine city
Are as if agenda'd in a tavern
Where light and shade diffuse refulgently
On pigmented wallface as flame auburn.

XXIX

e Thou art, Lord, with a chested motive asi-musically in a schism oothing the strokes and turns of chisel'd rim light storming in from over a mock-hill's hive, ennial fresh draperied stroke active h an accent melodically dim h streaks and dabs of dust juxtaposed slim disguise ahistorically live!

Lord of snow in dance temperate melt a Chiaroscuro when the web solves the ens in hyperbolic cult iere five-faced, drums with faces five there ebb e'ery beat's ancillarily felt feel the fill of space torso'd in the rub.

XXX

nat limbs miss! and what swinging pulse of lines! nat transposing for the sheathed sinner eye! o spatiality unkept at bay deliberate contrast to imbrown'd confines a shaky hill, its gold tones and strains tangible actuality infessing a firm faith luminously inding your eye to well groomed thought remains mighty impressiveness of missing eath the neck as metaphysical charm nancipated from form untiring begin a morale to valid calm cksliding the eye, a foe to thinking Thy dynamic of mazhu in thy palm.

XXXI

Lo! my Faustian eye, gouge it by thy will;
And my will is Faustian too with an aim
Through a miniature life winning Time
Against the see-saw of flux in unseen hill.
Is Thy hiding the true askesis subtle
Going back on a form basic and prime
unagitatingly reversing claim
To apex of polyvalent spatial
Against my intolerant will and reign
Non-co-existent with separate things
With ataraxia, fading out even
Into a singleness of fabric'd seedlings
Against ego-habeo-factum and the ken
Despite contrition, Thine imperative brings.

XXXII

Hid art Thou? for the sceptic in eyeless swirl And at bottom, notions a vision drawn As if from his own half assembed-dawn Hiding behind dammerung-still or a pearl Of a self-contained seeing or a whirl Of data as art-genera unforegone. Within a pre-determinate zone Irrevocably passing in a tale! Let me be an entity of a 'thud' With statue steadiness evidencing it With a conviction on mendicant mud Transforming this oft quoted birth-spirit From the jackal counterfeit of gross blood Coagulating in a beastial hit.

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XXXIII

O! Form perplexing, riddling, resolving
Let me know Thy many morales fewer
Is that then the necessity to infer
An unemerging conscious in the offing?
Is that a language of differential ring
To dominate a plastic sense newer?
O! Help me then hold a life deeper deeper
Than the momentary wick'd flame-showing
Particular Thine with respect to feeling
Primary and acting. For, let me know
The theory of Thy hidden naught to steal
Beginning and ending, atleast as show
If not as a resultant of thy will
Of will, willless and willless will trio.

Ocular Dream

XXXIV

Delta-desire in force took the lead;
The Male-universal opened its seed;
Deity-Earth bared her heaving lotus breast;
With milk of Kindness pressed;
The milky way saw the ant-hil growing
And this termite-orb a bird
Long curvetted and heard
Unflick'd by flaw a thud all knowing.

Birth here terminated births ahead. Beings poised, so inset were free from dread Of Karmicsome sin; a flower killed a flaw Of tainting touch, of somakala Entempled mid-waters hiding hid sky. Vibrant swan thud For a plop of bud. Swanbirth! more Kasi! more Tillai to eye!

'Aren't I born then from some terminus?'
The sperm-head wondered in its headiness!
Cholas chose to pillar this crowning site;
Did Lord then con the king or did sport a gait?
Till His feet pinked red-tired for Tamil's sake
To marry Truth and Beauty
As it were His duty
For Beauty's listing servitors in its wake!

The head towered above the seven-span bole. Can unicorn Kali step in his sole?
Beats the heart secure in conservatory
Of semi-wakeful coils of snake-bed hoary.
Tears, tears idle, gush from the fount of eyes.
Drops of brine in chank-whites
In sol-purified lights

Kamalalayam, perennial abode;
Devasrayam, Devasabha show'd;
A grand assemblage in violent birth;
Pure mouths addressing the ears of Earth;
Chanting a pious strain to the festive eye
Of the Regal Dancer Fair

Agleam from four and sixty ghats in guise.

Crowned and robed rare Having ears for Tiruththondathokai.

Kaamikam is aagamam, a leading tune;
A partridge red drinks the melt-moon;
The bibing sound sails a snake-cloud
That slow-steps round a fane Kondi loved
With nine-halts trotting paces as a pad
Of beauty, brave of a beam
For dove-cots to doze or dream
A hoisted flag atop a house all Aaroor-glad

XXXV

A subtle simple harmonic tremor;
Gaiety Royal, spring, breeze, song ingather;
A roundabout of high hedonism;
In love of mundi an abiding whim;
A warrior in peace braceleted unseen;
O! mild perfumery;
A tune of tipperary!
My grand Sacrifier; what do you mean!

Aurum-plated sandal sedan silken state
Filigreed, fine and fragrant to fascinate
Lions sixteen roaring to silence the noise
Of this maniacal world and its ploys??
(Incantatory gems hum that silence)
Then flowers fall upon the pearly pane;
Honey rains drench
Nictanthes bunch
The flowering time for this ancient fane!

Gowpenpuls of pollen pour in Pure Dance Off floral skies and nuclii aglance; Damsels concertingly deck'd in flowers Sprinkle, sprinkle o'er the Kolam'd floors; Flowers shower flower in southerly-Kiss; From the shell of the mundane Sophera cassia explain The lovely navel moves ripening to bliss.

Each move a fruit, a vein'd gooseberry fall, From a luminous tree a white parasol Fanning southerly with shreds of tail hair Of bosgrunniens or mountain deer; What a buoyant feel of a dancing float Upon the honey'd pool A Quick liquid capsule For one-legged Kali's anti-dote!

A pair of the white tail-hair fans of Yac Bespirits the even air. Latticed Iac Castle catches flame. Fulgurant Iac-red Incinerations reminisce and fed Pillar-flame thoughts chorally rehearse An epic flambuoyant feel Of cadence and appeal A wave of beauty cordial, transverse.

The craetiva rustles. There's a call,
A bird-call for music from this hall
Dance-tap-tiled. Unbeaten five-faced drum

>kaya-tinies listen to the hum
'Ould I by some chancy birth
> sea-changed into a bird,
> least calling word
ky-mating, egg-laying in-born mirth!

XXXVI

Sound Crunch: Five Faced Drum

RUVAAROOR.

hor flows in the superior Vena cava; ord's atrium. Heart of the Eye. Swaha; nition. Lord hides the pachyderm; ne snake shows up in the sperm; ne hood, head, trunk, flame, a triad of tones ajor, minor, trinomial thud ow, Sivasambho perfected ne Konrai-bee-drones: alms bowl bones.

'oof! Pleasant-to-listen to-tattoo;
eons in Aeons, years in years woo;
acro Om roams as a surround sound;
uric trot! Bull-set hoof prints hound
y I litteratim. Dulcet Tamil
ndear the Biped in me
ke the eyes of a Tapaswi
o, for the chief-thief-reef-coral to kill

Torrid ears to sounds in vassalage;
Ant-hill-heat! Rotund fenestra! Age
Cannot close the ovalis. Lord hears
And mine eyes impinge on the ears
Of Earth; the hill holes secretly inclose
Some acoustic nerve
As a meridian curve
Half-girding Pritvi, in corniced pose!

Myriad flower-falls. A concentrate
Sound of the downy fall. Auriculate
Flowers open, flip open with a plop
With once more plop to steal and snare, no!
But to whisper in timbre-tone
Pismire-earth-sweat!
The words fume and fret!
Who will beat this drum for His crown!

Drummerless drum adance tapping the air; There is a node triggering from welkin fair One to Five: and in between vortex'd three Grids of inhaled, held, exhaled breath of me Simulating an electric pentode. Silence, polarzing at ends, Sol, selene, Agni as friends, Eclipsing one another as they strode.

Slip, earth, clay, mrth, pot, mricchakatika
Memento mori. Birth expires. Calvaria.
My loops and whorls disambiguate the drum;
Search for a dactyl. Terminus ad quem.
This tap is entelechy, a spill to light
And bank and bear lord's fire
Upon this tellure pismire
To salamander me mythically aright.

XXXVII

O! Lord Ancient, Here is thy palladium.

My Puerile Force here has no place never.

Thy dust-hill is root-idea and power

Eliminating my force-paradigm.

Statics is Thine, but mine's fiction-whim

Void of meaning, hollowed in wan cover.

Where is attitude in a dust-shower

Heap'd on the stiff and cold geometry dim?

Form and substance prevail my force and mass

As notions and proof failing in phases

Of Thy moon; activum thema wins the toss

To beat as function of feet Thine in spaces

Bringing Far and Near in unplastic cross

Of a 'my'thic ground in hypotheses!

XXXVIII

Reachless Thou art for lingua is spellbound,
And winding words of mine are last blossoms.
Language-Kid lisps with its biteless gums.
where's the parent stem, I ask the hound,
It tells that vocabulary is bound
And intertwined with structured mumps.
The vocal word is known to Pasu's jumps
Into the genera of births crown'd or drown'd.
The verbal is a charactered preform!
O! Philology! Aaroor is more numen!
A placement profound within a felt charm
Of joy of proximity leaping again
Upward as a might grazing on a calm,
Plummetting into the hill-let in my ken.

XXXIX

O! Protean light-world inclosed in Ant-Hill! SECRET,- Is it Thy true language without Alphabet?-and at the stroke of mid-doubt I close in mine eyes sinking at the spill Of an ambiance of slipping like a rill Of stumbling, tottering or falling out In isolate betweens of flight and float Let unprobed in a predicate of will!, Unsoul'd as a copy of description utter-inorganic and propertied Seeing the categories as dimension Or causes'or chemic or psychic breed To become the disunity in Thy fun Of a finite litteratim of Thy deed.

XL

Lord, show me Thy Ens and hold me awake In language of Jagrat that winks in words And in the proxy sensations and herds Of splitting hairs fain subserving thy make Whose dark infinite content squeeze and take Into the hill or hole or perch or bird's Nest as thy stage-play showing in my heads. Me-Ignorabimus, like a termite-sake worms beneath a trite maxim of a sky, Too crushing for me as unfelt weight Hanging low down where my likeness and lie Begin and move in a brownian gait Substantively flexing the Far and Nigh, To blossom by dint of Thy conjugate.

XLI

Does Lord trigger significance-feeling
To hurtle language down the rapid
And by grammar decompose it for bid
Of silence in inflexionless ceiling
Fragmenting Time by passive calling
To vanish from the conjugation timid
In provenance of pregnant wordage viscid
Shedding genitive or dative in dealing?
Or abbreviate His thud with meaning
Opening a counter for initiate
As me, in a sense a sealed book yearning
To divulge and hold good for e'ery inmate
Of an era so widespread and weaning
Away from the weak verbal vertebrate?

XLII

Lord, like as a homeless word I wander;
To what vocabulary I belong then!
Now a seaman in this birth half undone
won't you fin me into a stock-swimmer
Sharing sea and history, a semi-sharer
Of Far bothways by one step in the run
In fleeing and feeling from and for one
Moment of storied endowment fairer?
Are we two reciprocally alien, ripp'd
With abrupt distinctions past a guesser's guess:
With thy dance in antipathy to script
And a sane matter of stirless status
Cavalierly scrivening letters lipp'd
To abstract me in thy simultaneous?

XLIII

Lord, you dance in a dear new language kind Un-implying a complete wakefulness Freed from the pale present-denoting stress Nor as sight-sign neither as even mind Not as anything of hence felt as ingrained But as a song to sing or a verse to verse In imperceptible undergone changes Thresholding a Time as totem trained And a space as taboo altered in thy square To kill and crush it in the closet of a hill A tiny toy-lobe of dust on dust as snare To which beings gravitate at thy will Seeing which, this language bibber's in scare And folds his drafting hands adance & still.

XLIV

Ah! the tank is dug and hill grows in spree Wavelets of waters in stalkings of lotus Grains auburn in a brown study and stress Balancing the dug land and the dragged sea Thy throat distil'd the toxin, the rest free For beings to bibe thy grace by grace or guess Can this poly glot know thy throat or dress From the textiled three land and sky and sea In meet of resolution and hence born Universe young and old in its spring-time. Can this apparell'd flesh know ever the bone Or the bow oft-arched and left for a mime Of a break-point by the House of Raghu Known When cloaked in a costume of light and eyeless rhyme.

XLV

O! Mythic form secret in a new mode!
Thus would I call, for thine names continue
Uncovering other numina in view
To cult my eye in a classical code.
From site to silex and on to statue
I drag my body conning a shape true
Of that numen million named which glowed
As titled tiled steps, as Thy Feet-taps
In alchemy'd shape with image fading.
With symbol marking the mount, trident or gaps
'Tween what augments and what all are jading
And unimpaired formative power, laps
Up the stone into thy Thud invading
The statuary of my theorem and maps
That stand the lotus columns infolding.

XLVI

Would you show thy secret fulfil the space?
And show me a line beam the roof of blue
And the sky as Urbs celestia true
So old as Time lock'd in rib-vaulted face
Or Frontispiece of forecourt cheating days
By nights uniting the round light and view
Yet ne'er yielding to dark or dazzle due
To the pure spread undergone in a phase
Ignoring the roof over the column,
The shielding over the stoutness or growth
In tragic or comic deludedness
Of stones craving thy step or lift or both
With their load and inertia to bless
Or be blest by liberation free as froth
Floatation'd sore-ore and its unnotchedness?

XLVII

Lord, Is thy dance a dart of form-felling,
Unpictorial, unplastic, unseen
At work in Thy wordless feet-pair to mean
The acoustic and the optical thing
The eye or the ear or the sense cheating?!
Does this thy thud take effect on the mean
Golden between, by a hit here to wean
Itself away from the form concording
One event and me or someone to trust
In a linear progression of a kind
Through stages and notions, thro'weird words g
As Ancient or after, leaving one blind
To the Art-reason, a mysterious must
Past evident-existent as a find?!

XLVIII

Thy Face is tangible and I do see
But Feet are obvious, that never I follow,
Like as an eye upturned to a fresco
Foregoing its logic for necessity
Of watching without prepossessions free
I behold Thy frontal portraiture-show
Or refrained deep relief up from below
As dust mysterious or domical tree,
As prime powered utterance of delta-earth
Articulate in waters through a float
In quest of the current in vessel'd birth
And hear the counterpoint of blue voiced throat
Appeasing the All-soulless-Venom's-mirth,
And the symphonied force of thy Foot-Note!

XLIX

Aren't I Aaroor-nigh, thus I tagged;
Doubt began from the outside and stays there;
The inside's wondrous mutation fair;
Facade turns visage and the secret wagged
A meaning undisclosed; my legs lagged
Behind what drew me out from the plain care,
From what the head held and the trunk didn't dare,
And I spired the motive and felt ragged
For lack of aspect to focus the feet
With my gotten clay in archaic relief.
In somatic reminiscence I greet
Thy standing free upon thy footing chief
To transcend my sense-limits and treat
My faith in favour of space as red reef.

L

Coral'd chromatic by that starlit air
The frontalness ends closing off the style;
Earth as plane art springs as a pristine smile;
Obeys the sky then overcomes the blue air;
But secret felt is left to secret's care
Naked' Neath the seeming statue's guile
Is the gross soma conceived in a while
Till Time regarded figurewise unfair
Stays the relief and spot fails to detach
The hidden silhouette from the plane spread out
And stills a lateral outline of a catch
In the polychromed neck of a tone without
Doubt's enamel but with a faith to match,
A space that confers and cancels a shout.

LI

O Lord. Are you that fathomless secret Earth-bound that flows as life in sex'd halves? In symbol'd flower telling the free falls In beads of this existence so hard-set, Unfolding history in a duet Of being bisociative in vaults Close to the cosmic and chaotic saults Involved in the cyclic rhythms inset, Of nature more animal and more awake More free, more deeper, more mobile more tense To catch the causal logic in one take To be the causal in organic sense; Make me then felt as Moirai or Norns make Me Parcae or Monkey in tangible tense Primevally a seer for a seeress' sake To oracle and be oraclist at once.

LIT

Make me Thy bowl and a recipient Thy vessel and pre-server of Thy flow. Make me agitated by a moon's throw In a crescentade eternally bent In a chronically sprained gradient With a bosom of Light on every here Informed with a formula to and fro Between Cyclic time and blood circulant In pre-ordained roles of woman and man As the holiest and violent besides In fundamental war of treatied plan, Silent, bitter, pitiless asides, As yearning for the world, the dust and tan Of the several Childbeds and cradle tides.

LIII

The seas crest and trough, the whole dendrophis Begin the dance of seduction in hoods;
The mazy coils swell marking the moods;
Exhausting a hiss, and thin as sleek guess;
What a yoke of breath! What a sleeplessness!
In wavy worldless waltz vilva air broods;
Motherly southerly thro' a chink intrudes
And the many eyed chintz like a seeress
Forecasts the breeze in terms of beginless breath
To toss nenuphar and a lotus stalk
Tossing the sky and subtle soma's girth
To win the heedless head, the sovereign mark
Or to take the tail with a stoa's worth
With sky-and-soil's counsel in cross talk.

LIV

Seated upon a needle's tip, a Thought,
Past periods lying over against
One another, now darkly groping fast
Now drowsy with deeds and gay deedless naught
Snugly ensconced in ancient lotus ghat
Appreciating the abyss betwixt
The Sky and Soil now but superposed
On the threshold of a deep wakeless 'What'
Promising a distant duration
In a forceful symbolism clever
Now empty, deep, grand and obsidian
Now timeless art-store as Delta's cover
With a floral evolution under Sun
Like a ranging root or grain does discover
A profound like between here and heaven.

LV

Can sky impugn the primacy of earth?
Or lurk in the deeps of primeval rights
Over the plant-side of the soil traits
Pre-religious and ecstasied in mirth?
O! what blue stupefaction and so forth
Against a spring, tree, stone or star or night
Against every numen vouchsafed straight
Sunk in abeyance for undiscovered worth!
You know the causes, still you can't set free
The constant contradiction in Being
From the conjunctures of rites really
Like as a dance or stasis for seeing
Well withdrawn from Time and destiny
To the terminus, a late form of seeing

LVI

Where is the suture line I search in vain! Is His Left blue or Her Right red in hue? Denebola and Betelgense in view? What physiognomy in soft incline? O, ostensible inner form! a mien A gait an aspect whatsoever due To be hid thus giving an alert clue To Lotus-lily enveloped corolline Myriad petall'd inner whorl of flora Housing some protyle to beget all form! A son inly made from osculant awe As a sixer of light from Pleiades' charm Nestling the hump of Taurus in a draw Slow like a dash of planxty cool and calm.

LVII

Be this Pritvi trans-sensuously present
As the ideal maze of the intended
As coiled serpent on a moist bed
Of sleeping alluvia, quiet, unrent
By this nude seed or sensuous development
Or the doom of waters which by oars led
By floats and boats ensouled introverted
Beneath the drapery of Soma bent
On its depth-experience of moolaadhaar
That tiny-cella-feel, the dark nothing
That enveloped moment in the vaulted far
Within and inward as emphasized ring
Of a vessel as thought of from a star
Below, up, under close outer casing!

LVIII

Does the nenuphar bear the mark of beat
With the grand cycles of the dusty stars
With the female side of the moon or mars
Of some night or spring or warm tropic heat
Some lily, equinox or melos-sweet?
While fickle human mind nudges the bars
Of tense, polarities of light, of scars
Of wound and weapon, battle and retreat!
The flower blows as spring, blood, sex, tide and race
And water-deep, it cycles the crank of Time
But mine eye too wary in twilight haze
Kneads the pauseless petals, never past their prime
In their wakeful state of the floral pace
Linking destiny, yuga and its mime.

LIX

Two dances I read one and its converse
The hetero and the homo cosm,
A thought, a visual thought, in a whim
A fabric of logic, a lit world in verse;
A band of senses apt to rehearse
Bands and rings of light on a rim
Of bridge between presences interim
With corporeal or covert eye-Sight.
What lame limp on earth, a spastic mimicry,
Gesture or emphasis that my utterance is!
What sovereignty of the eye, that I see
More see the valued light, its abstract ease
Its thought-designates, thought-elect to free
My understanding from sensation's tease!

LX

Is the soma-less Churner in action
That the subtle rizomes beneath the mud
Lit by the gleaming eyes veined red,
Wake up to the world in a cross of fun!
Senses conquered readily submit when
The unarmed manmatha have them sped
Those five of buds as dart-heads spring gales fed
With disturbing Lotus first in the run.
The seed of desire breaks open and melts
In hexagon upon a poorja leaf;
Red oleanders shower; Honey wells
The bow and the dart lock in one brief
Look and grace of the Eye-begotten shells
When mind turns and churns mind to a sea-reef

LXI

Creatrix! without a vis-a-vis with you
Is All my Right Inertia, moveless,
Fossil irrational materialis?
Yet-unrelieved stone or frieze or statue?
With you but I'm becoming a soaring fugue
A functionary fivefold to non-plus
Time and space and cause and sorge for all-ness
A pure poor proclaimant open to view
Statics, symbol, phallus, iconodule,
All causing cause, grace unto the last,
Indra, Brahma, et al, verba et al
Triliteral monad mystic holding fast
To get their hermeneutic birth-right or role
Propitiating to pen your hidden vast.

LXII

Soma-wise, Verba-wise, indriya-wise
Would you let me follow my thoughless choice
Of options to locate that secret voice
In your middle and pen the hidden guise
By light, dark, drape, guess, every tries,
Or pan the ostensible contours or ploys
That colour or counter innerly buoys
Floating a secret evidencing rise
Now as memoir 'tween delta down and up
Between sentiments and sacred scripture
As one I-know-not-field, a great hiccup
Of analytical thought, its stricture
In an envelop in unconvey'd step
Towards yours, a draperied picture!

LXIII

Into thy garden please let me roll.
You like a moon companied by women
Wheel in view for me in Sripuram then
Grant me coral eyes as isles of atoll.
May I gather auric dust and shoal
On thy carpet-walk incarnadine
That I may Big-bang them all by one sign.
And dance upon a paradigm of a whorl
Of seven and seven-worlds ever over head
Such orbs myriad poised on the seshan-hood
Or I may pulver all to an ash bed.
And sprinkle the talcum dust on cosmic-Brood
O! auric-alluvia-rich cradle-steed!
Unscience me into your Rtus subdued.

LXIV

Shall I wait on Vasantha or Sharat? For I deem thy dust diamentiferous, Feet-pollen with a high refractive muse Scattering me into a million hues! Ma walk thy soft feet lotus'd in a breath, Now, tripping, come, abide, nestle in mirth, Of breezy morn in laasyam as you choose, Come ninefold clad and deck'd in honey dews Of pearly lustre unfastening, but, Like that distant celebate starry eye Would you let me gaze and think thy thud E'ery step a cunning stroke for eightfold weal? Would I then listen to the nenuphar bud Plop open on a Crystal- Pond and feel A long projeny unbroken well bred And ancestry in a ceaseless cereal!

LXV

A shoreless sea an unfixed fathom!
Simile there's none to span its blue.
wordage falls short of the wavelength or hue
Water's mejesty! un-rest-samudram.
Cycles stopless of births looking glum
Floats locusless, immersions lone a new
Shackling anchorage, drownings o'erdue
Flaws triple in maya, a fee-faw-fum
Scaring pull-down, depriving by
This or that osculant snare or dread or threat.
Turn Thy dust, gem me for to kiss a plenty;
Be Earth foison and let dark flee my heart-let.
Boar cosmic, - like its tusk and try,
Lift me, O' feet-veins, and angle in thy net.

LXVI

O! multiple maternity close to heart
Nodding no hand-sign, -no-dread nor boon
But with foot-prints you beseem, I swoon
Into a sleek surrender for my part.
Can Hands labour for thy Labouring Art
Or drop me into Himmeleh's perilune?
Where can I search for that silvery-rune
Or coppery-plate or Poorja-Green-Start
To start an alphabet or a circlet,
Simply decking it petall'd nine or eight
Studding one by one with ears of corns, but
Would it be the seed-moneme of Thy might
Of fire-base of Thy lute with many a fret.

LXVI-A

Does the sage sit there in dormancy
As ash-heap still pullulating the slime
Of this delta with eyes moist to mime
A fall of the Swan-white dew to the sea
Of tidal moves of a festive body;
Ah! the unbodied Bliss prosodies its rhyme
Of a back and forth thud on flowering time
Sightless season, reason, chariot, breezy;
A dart-start; eye-gleams; Grace round the corner
Day Night involutes; Once I hear the ray
Its smear on my rocky frame down to err
And diagram a hexagonal play,
Of foreplay auric or of leaves astir
Oozing a red-oleander'd honey-bay!

LXVII

Eternal youth, many gemmy girdled gold
Waist atinkle, rippling, chiming a sweet lisp!
Calf-Elephant must, librating moon's cusp
Come in a pair! rounded O'erfold on fold
In a green grammatical lapse retold
Down to your Tripura! milk O' the wisp!
To go curdled by a no churner's grip
Marmulade! Butter, A bend in the ranges warm and cold

(Sugar canes grow; Ropes unroll; Flowers fall; Why spear me!)

Are you the alter-ego of the creator?
Or the alter-I condemning me wondering செல்லடி சிவசக்தி Me a fraction, a fever,
Enter seed-letters in my heart's ring
And raise the animus to this outhouse-care
Of me and lurch me fore'er unageing.

LXVIII

Aren't I a penman, a pensive man
And you my penswan aflutter in zeal
And thine a zealot in open field?
Then, Spin this space as a wheeling fan
On a full-moon-dark, in yellow tan
Of earth's amber-bosoms'-betweens to yield
Petals microfined ninefold and viscid
Aeonic, and Time-begetting. Kalpakas stand
Above; below woods of Katamba and gemmy isles,
Swerga-gem, a lapidary-styled cot
Four square-bed of lips and logo's smiles.
The serpent stirs to sol, selene and to naught
Then slips, coils, steeps back in its guiles
Of Fire-Sun-Moon-Mercurially fraught
With pneuma within, the hissing sushumna.

LXIX

Is my head thy moon or such a silver plate Carved myriad, petal'd red amid the lobe With prints of tender feet watering the robe Of thousand beats and pulses to intimate Through a sleepy, shy, reticent krait, The 'lixir of life, mind, word, body-probe In a pendulous swing of desire-bob! Are you slid down to a ringed Zone's debate O'er rapid and cliff in pythonic pluck Aye! Kuntalamandala, Lotus-root Knee-Knee-deep, subtle fibre'd feather-duck Soft to this Lotus-eater's eager brute Shook off sleep, scared of ophitic work In its sizzling creep to pyro-cute.

LXX

Do circles six revovle within my gross From fundamental to firmamental, From Cthonian to aeonian spell?? Seems, it rains, and Good Earth smells her dross Soil-spiced; rise as sap waters across The knotted tree; flame-palate paint the portal To the windy bourne for floral Thenral Resounding in the sky between the brows. Voco-Visuo-auro-verbo-causal Word, deed, mobile, end and seat in a feat Begins the Mind, holds Pritvi, stones gleam-fill; Crosslines trap the crate; auditory treat The utter limit; and the knot; and lull Lightning earths within sedating a beat.

LXXI

Ens-Encircled, is this the Body? Dermo, haemo, fibro, fabro-ash Marrow, Leuco, Vita, liver-clash Cover, clangour, clandestine a tree Spot-like, spheric nine-point circle bzee-Bzeeing in breeze; Pritvi starts a dash Maaya wins, unto Sadasiva: a splash The egg-egg and the Big-Egg O! Sivasakthi Methodologically confine me In four and forty forts of trackless thought And artifice this frisking fishy eye In a pin-up of homogeneous naught To ingather all my alluvial lie into the Sun-less holy holy-glot.

LXXII

Beauty unique! The comparatist dies, the collective synaesthesia fail;
What its arcanum is! Sehses reel;
The poet-to-poet pathetically tries;
A celestial danseuse in hers train cries
In vain to long for infinitesimal
Of such and such past pleasure or appeal
And faint in concert on a delta'd dais;
A mystic trigono-rama, a curl
A shred of fragrant lock; peduncle fibre;
A simile to simile; unguess'd whirl
Of melt-moon-sea rough in anthesis-hour
Shaking a silken wavy weave of pearl
In liquid love, in wordless fast forever.

LXXIII

Six Lingas stand; arrow'd silex stones rare;
And eyes leer, loiter round the corner
Travel and fall on a primitive cur
And the old cur dies to rise as Big Bear
Circling, circling Sunwise,ursa Major
As unprecedented practitioner
As upanishadic interpreter
Without standing above the winding stair
Of spiral thought, and spectacular haste
Up, down the scale of tones and semi-tones
Like a streak of blue-ray over the crossing waist
Line, a latitude imagined in the zones
Calling for a hermeneutic taste
And lingas hear anemophilous-moans.

LXXIV

Flames, rays, phases, circle, light and cover I weep, smile, secrete continentally!
Loam unborn! effulgent grains wave lengthy!
Fire-service. Red giant. Cosmic shower
From a hide-out a liquid lingodbhavar
Again more and more flame tongue-twistingly Irking logos, stage, cage umbilically,
Eight and hundred, a sacred count of power
A column of air darting up and there
There, there there, there, there there, there there there than a levorotatory fair
As one inner left for one inner share.

LXXV

Grant me poesy, poesy suigeneris;
A moon in Sarat, pearly white
Rajas dies, Tamas dies, I hear thy gait
Crest-Moon exudes nine-stone-opal of bliss.
Feet-digits, great, reign; aurum-crowning kiss.
Temples feel the boon, the unaffrighted light;
A book opens; crystals garland; beads indite
Words-round-the-corner-eye rings grow amiss
On the Karmic bed. Pseudomorphose me.
May alphabets obey and fain combine,
To my wish and philharmonically
Fall to honey, milk, grape, and vine
Celebrating a fruity slavery
Unto me, mine, and all human kine.

LXXVI

Aruna on the Lotus, Hibiscus red.

A tiwirling rope of love, a spear-eye
A rain-bow syrup, a floral boquet,
A quiver of boons a dreadless thud,
A chain crystalline, a tantra sacred,
Trine-eyed fire lashing athanasy
Rippled with seeds-gnosis sportively
Mother alphabets tend in hues love-bred
Let me drink and bibe this wordy spring
And dote on her bosomy hegemony
Like as a chatter-bird on a wing
Of love aflutter, more like a Chakoree
In free flight, charter'd to fling
Cadences, red-drops of Arun-artery!

LXXVII

Never-near-Ideal Sempiternal!
Halasya Kshetra! Royal roads!
Tusker's tread! Long promenades and codes,
Of Earth-vent; none can but see thy spell
Fish-eyed Queen; enticing gates open to tell
Of thy fort of Sripuram; rounded nodes
Reachless in-shade like choric trin odes
On bhoota, bhavishya, Vartamanakaal
To reflect, rehearse, reify in abstract
In plenitude, in cantatory lights,
In ichorous weal of temper and tact!
A route-march of spermic siderites!
Spiritus mundi come close in thy Act
Gesturing me to coral gulfs and straits!

LXXVIII

The Sun rises red; and the fair skin glows
Floodlighting the flesh worlds dipped in saffron.
Attitude adjusts the householder's ken
The flower, the plant bathed in a light blows
With a meaning to go to one who knows;
Desire bays; the moon arches space in one
Swim from its gibbus through the dropless drone
Of the blue and the white, galaxy shows;
Mind turns not aberrant in body-love
In the endangering red of cautious eye
And the chink'd towers house many a dove
To flutter and row in a limpid sky
Turning away from the promiscuous trough
Of light polarized luring by and by.

LXXIX

O! the lips of face argent to the point
Pigmented punctiliously to beam
Upon my eye a flood of rays red adream
Behind the veil of sleep, draped and joined
To the blue of sky and white of snow-coined
Himmeleh with peaks of illumed seam
In frothy milk-ganga's rafting stream
Adown it slips between the pails to anoint
My lactic, green-thought, uncurdled by lust,
My infanthood to go suckled forever;
My seed-Innocent, my somatic gust
Of the Pranic Phases of the seed-hour;
When the diaphanous opens up to test
The enviability of a nimbus of power

LXXX

An aquila sings with its nosy white
Gainst the looking-blue sky with its noteworthy eye
Driving and destroying the hard, harsh wry
Fevers and phagadaenic strokes and fright.
Aren't I that aquila to drink thy light
Of myriad wave lengths-triggering ray
After ray to melt into sentiments and whey
Pouring a coolth through Moon-stones straight
Into my cup of heart and please every move
Of limbs, serpentine, mazy, waiting for a vision.
Aquila tells, Life-sentences and love
The orbs frisk, fevers reign and venom in action
But ash-spear ashed and offer'd now
Shall annul e'ery ill and annex me into thy faction.

LXXXI

This gross is no soul nor am I big;
Though off Big Bang sprung I desire none
Nor disdain nor dread an end or moan
O'er this miss or that in this yuga of one leg.
Let me hang on like telescopists' tag
For a swim of light-flash, subtle in tone
Striking me down with a charge in the cone
Of a sky mine eyes scoop from the keg
Of Earth on which I sit watch watch
Would egg after egg be hierarchically toss'd
Like as a petall'd forest of lotus to unlatch
In which murmuring word-bees be ever lost.
Thick woody-crowded-pistill'd wisdom's catch
In a moony trope of thought Mathura to host.

LXXXII

How can you be hailed when you me become!
The deed and the doer so complex'd,
Compiled, into a cogruent text,
That this 'I' vanish into the dome
Decreed by this or that script in votive foam
Of a case arbitrarily called an egg into a nest
Or flight into the air-ship or waters vortex'd
Aren't I caught in such a Queendom
That I may be empowered in thy reign
This little me, a tall sandal tree
Outbreaking an earthern slope in labouring pain
This little spermicule an elephant in spree
Hugging the trunks and crags of a mountain

LXXXIII

Somakala Crowns the face I wait for;
A gust of red outcrystalling the right
As breasted spirit in gyres of light,
In a gentle bow for a royal core
Blows off immemorial times of yore,
Times of an auric past and auric court
Censor'd to eye, to report or to sport;
Time to intuit o'er a wear of years more,
In uncured look of love for look of care
In a triumph of thud well retained
Past the structurally gorgeous 'There'.
Above the feet whate'er waxed waned
In a transcient trot of conjugated share
Of Lasyam, of upturn'd bosom find!

LXXXIV

In thy brows the wave-pair dance a measure whence the transverse and longitudinal Start and stifle the maya and its swell Of the wrath of a creative pressure Of the path of a protective azure Of coma that kills the chine of animal And the creeper brows beat the beautiful And Earth's stronghold solicitous sure Directs the half-kill'd chine and the chase Or the desired instinct of a guile Like as harvest winds waft the patch of maize Or horse-trotting waters link camomile To its overleaping dew, matting lights lays Swaying always my brown-study-isle.

LXXXV

Let my wrath-path-sloth crawl near thy feet!

And hear the five faced muffle dopplered

For still the distance rages unstopper'd

Like vellum's diffusion of a sandal-heat

Fevering the frail frame incomplete

To a final distortion doubly stirr'd

By barefoot love and plumed pride empowered

Inly to snare me to an inner treat!

Would you let me covet what I could become

On seeing thy feet, one lifted step alone

That I may never turn my intents dumb

That chance universe of joy is never never gone

That this square of dance is turn'd to the tattoo of drum

Disturbing Kamala with a dub and drone.

LXXXVI

Unintelligible ends; ends the rage;
And the path and the sloth, ends every swoon;
The Moon is God's Honey, halved in the noon;
What an ooze of rock-time from a peri-stage!
My conjecturing eye inside its cage
Of winkless lids long for live long lune
Or peri-lune for a blanch or flowers strewn
At these feet thine, secretive pair-mage
A full fortnight of a manvantra
Ends here in the ruffle of aching words
By taps on the five faced tabla
And the air snuffs sandal and royal swords,
Civet either side yoking this Yuga
Ordering Kali's close and the Kites of Soul-birds.

LXXXVII

Shall I inquire into this word-lotus,
A chiliad of flowers for me to chair
A sedan of petals segmented fair
For me to chant, sign, sing, offer and dress
In circum-ambulations numberless
To fall prostrate before you and praise the air
And earth that suckle my tumultuary share
Of life betokened for embrace and press
With you, your thought, the perfect circle new
Seeking the sky's invoking quietude
While Kamala terraces the sky's blue
In a folded-in repose of a mood
Like a closed nenuphar closed to view
The precipitating birth or its brood!

LXXXVII-A

All language turns into a chant and song,
And gestures reflex'd sign the signs away,
Ambling legs describe the corridors and play
Up the worshipping floral passion strong
Outtiming time by strides before long;
And a sleeping hour as a longer stay
At thy feet foam prostrating night and day
And whatever amuses right or wrong
Alters itself into act of praise
Of your main frame and my prime concern
For what else could lift this low me and raise
To import words into the word I learn
Till yon hanging moon and her cusp'd base
Blaze my prying into an amort turn!?

LXXXVIII

Thine ear sports a discus, a wheeling ring! And then glows my venom blush'd in blue! What a perfect polar moon to view? Your lovely left fends my Right cowering Its imblued half-gifted dark glistening Well matched, to your red to flank a new What is caught twixt your ring and my clue To a longevity of Time deep plunging Star by star in recursive Blue-Red shift To have a universe of cepheids rebuilt To re-have inert space aloft in space-lift Dropping one ray transfluid and spilt Creeping close to this beholder's rift In dozing perception with timid guilt

LXXXIX

What girdles of fire amid Sun and Moon!
The moon yellow in a ringlet of sleep!
I hear the Sun quenching the thirsty deep
Of a sky of a heart beating in the noon
Of unbraced sinews of joy jejune;
The simile-bird with its silvery peep
Of sushumna sapphired in the sleep
Of ruby-red intones of flowing tune;
My soma stirs not like a vase brimming
With evergreens watered by wet air-spell
Draining the heat, with honey-bees steeping
Thier murmurous tresses in the tank full,
Beating unseen wings fit to touch my thing
Of lily-snap-joy on nenuphar's shelf.

XC

Lead my reflex-soul thro' a viewless route Where thy fine pollen fall-out oscillates Now like a pullover'd sky with its gates; E'erywhere the same pollen spills to shoot Opening its branched wonders bearing fruit, And now gravity acts not on the skates Of thought-pair mass-less rolling as plates Of patented Pritvi, many Merus' root, Heavier now, frisking to its locus-will Desiring anything down to experience, Enticing worlds-all by an iota-hill, Disciplining the order of Beings and Ens, O! you pitch your octagonal centre still.

XCI

Four power four circum-tricks and more
Of Siva-lila to 'chicane' the world;
Sculpture into picture deceptive hurled;
Ghats show'd, elements coalesced in the core
Proxied eight-polymorphosed in a pore
of genesis-desire in luni-ness roll'd
Soporifying day; snaring manifold
Deities, stablishing them along the shore
To split a heart, fugitivizing the hood
By differentia to reach the top
Altering the left for right of a Brood
To occult and coil the cogito up
To cupola by step-leap, ens-endowed
For alchemy, vacuum walk, Veena, God's hop!

XCII

Such cantations distil the flower dew;
Sun-lit bamboo-sky scaffolds the hive,
Meaning hinges trans-letter'd in a drive,
Showing sixteen sempiternals in view.
The peri-lunar cingulum features a few.
Sixteenth is the girdle auric alive
With the rest as its limbs to derive
A mean to wax by moon from the new
To the full in opposition. Fifteen eye
Kamala's Genesis preferential
Deperpetualizing this world-in-sky,
Donning this drape of Blue in the fill
Of Earth in tremor of amor by and by
To evolve in my heart's seam from the full
Eye dream, scream, hreem!

XCIII

Copper'd beads, tromontane thought minted plate,
Of gold in folded hands held aloft,
Now higher power'd exponential; soft
Thud like feel of a shower sedate,
In stair-case condescension to mate
With this assoiled me, impearls oft
To suckle mine own eyes with lustre-drop,
Dripping from honey-comb from heaven's gate!
Ah! me! I sink in thy bosom adream;
The beaded copper tells the rhythmic rune;
The heart palpitant hums its enthememe;
The digits commute the letters overstrewn;
The trigonal home-cenote wells up agleam
In a wink within the swollen lids of lune!

XCIV

Sun-Moon. Eyes become pails of rising breasts. Times' assembly from Aries to Pisces.

Angular cones of planetary press.

From Numen on a developing gust.

Word onward gnostic-pollen-pour of dust.

Mind to Matter block'd as Soma to bless.

Especial resonation in breath's guess.

Crescent-halfs in syzygy impressed.

Prasna features six and ten to shine.

Gama-sparks as beings fly figureless.

Arrays Nine, Circled-Nine, angled-Nine

Enwombed, zodiac'd! What a morphosis!

What pair-sentiments partless bold, fine!

What jiucy Moon-Sun fruit-twins' Kenosis!

XCV

Inly worship. Nine-point-circled Heaven!
Air veers widely. Experiential moves.
Sepals four, six, eight, ten, twelve loves
And twain mid-brow lilting to chiliad's Ken.
The firmament is fallen on the fen.
What locations, progressions in the nows
And thens from moola to haalaasyaa! Hows-I-know-not trouble and tremor this denizen.
I belong to this pure mudless mud!
Uncaused, uncausing, pauseless universe
In action, energy well affected.
I-He feel shrinking inward into stirs
Kalatti to Tillai to Aaroor Thud.
Wheel-Mud-Clay-Pot-Kiln-flame-scud-play-sky-verse.

XCVI

O! How I wonder what you are! Mid-brow
A nubile circle of commandment,
Brow-beaten, I stand to meet in the rent
Of sky on this tank waterful, of show;
Synchrony. Sui luminis! Moon-Sun know.
Sun-unlit, star unlit, Ever effulgent.
No eyes can see, no scopes, no instrument
Can cross-Wire this circlet, this Occult O.
This-Thou, See! Parasiva inundates.
Kaasi! Brows ARch. Waves on either or Side!
Crores of birth-birth aeons, gate-way gates,
Hinged, open'd; peripety fore-tried
My meek pair of eyes. Tune me, My long crates
Of sound surging from the ant-hill side.

XCVII

Quite like a bird you hold me by my nape. spotless crystal feel. Out from the root-dark I emerge. Nidifugous. Bzee-bzee-arc Of a trial flight. No error. No escape Moon-sun Connubium. Sol-selene Scape. Perdix Rufa! Disc drips-drip, drip, drip, hark! Clock Cordial. Cackling red geese park, In the blue feminine firmament-stripe Bathing in auric yellow, camomile, Coming handy as light internal, The red-shift-partridge adance in a smile Coos, loved to tell, in throated ease full, Such beads of small-time in moon-dial Letting light-dews in the floretted cell.

XCVIII

Aaroora! anascasarca, I become;
Swan-pair feed on the petals.
Flower-squeeze. Aren't I athirst or else
Descending into airy bourne and come
By this lotussarovar to float a sperm
And ovum that inly buoy with a pulse
Felt close to pericordium. In the wells
Hid in waters are heard ad infinitum
The swans confabulating lactic sweet
Aflutter on the milk of Kamalalaya
With the hug and hum of suckling treat;
Beyond, the cow agraze, uberous, ah!
The Swans are no mere birds neither white feat
Of rush! but hush! Sivam-Sivai see-saw.

XCIX

Ash is wet. Time now opens its eye.

Numina resolve; sighted wrath. Sigh!

Milk-moistened lip and lid-I dote

On and on. Numina rise up by rote.

Nrath abides. Cenote encloses, ash dry.

Little changelings inside the gross cry.

Deep immerse. Drink potfuls, and you bloat.

The cryer cries for the Moon and gets it.

There is no crying for the moon here,

or moons to waters move and deposit

Their slim-rayed-waistlines to endear

This beatless me by a tickle implicit

In orniscopist-signifier sphere!

C

Dwarf'd amber-sun-untouched heatless scud. Scud, water turns, at once, thirst departs. In threefold-rain, a four and sixty arts. Sadasiva-umbrage; opens up the bud Heating bedewed. And all furies are fled, Divine or soul-bourne or of soiled sorts. But lightning strays longer in darting darts. Pitch-Dark dissolves in Oxymoronic dread Of Dark. What round nimbus lightning fast! Stable streaks of light. Aurum-bow on show Rain-grain-chain-gain-straining liquid gold-cast. In deeps of Kolaar is heard the rumble now, And I loll by this scud-thud rolling tossed.

CI

Triangle. Time-Bliss in a duel concert.
Smart moves. Great steps. Eternal conjugals!
Sentiments brew. Atlength devotionals.
Beings beget the pair! Sameness, insert.
Stasis, Seat, beauty, name performing spurt.
Undifferentiate oneness withal.
Ruddy form. Hibiscus red. Sanguine. Well,
A fusion-power in eye to eye eyeness.
The crystal carmine combine to glow;
What transparent formicary to dress
A layered eye of mine spiralling to know
The deeps of this hill, its foot, its press!
Term it aurum: Drum: five faced: theorbo!

CII

Ram to Fish: a dozen Suns are ablaze Spewing gems and crystals activised Girding the auric crown dynamized To tilt a moon or notch a node in wary gaze Red to Red in a round about and chase Of light spinning itself so disguised In the dark of a bow of space poised Between the brows holding a vase always With flowers, flakes, flints and fleeing light Radiating its crepuscular rays To paint and pattern thy dancing floor In chequer'd mosaic, in a chevy chase Showing thy foot print and trot and slow gait Of shade and heart in its carapace.

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CIII

Nenuphar-scent; Diffusion; A soft bounce;
Air vibrates, digits-strung; Musings;
Exploding flower-crowd-cloud of wings
Draping a dark blotting the frowns
And fumes of births' all-odorous zones
Girding the lines of bind and bickerings
Internal within my soul's bouting rings;
O! more menuphars. Bees verse. Allophones!
Kalpaka trees bloom, borrow, bay and blaze
In all-hues red to red or from blue to blue
Thud, tap, squaring feet by feet in a maze
Of more thuds and taps joined by a drum's due;
Psittacine sweet lisping; horse neighs;
What trots, taps, turns! The tank sizzles to view.

CIV

Bee-ing! Lotus - anthers out! shreds adance,
The crown wears the head! Does the flower turn
Apivorous! or do the bees hum and burn
The fires of passion bedwed by such chance.
Universe orbed, lit, in a transcendence?
I-know-not-being. Mine eyes do, do yearn
For the secretive mid-brow taciturn
Languager! Word-meaning-in-substance
Within break-upless union, clothing
Each other in shyness of skep or speech.
The hummer-bee buzzing a three-in-one thing
Blowing cool the lotus pollen to bleach
The dire-red-ire-star by un-distancing,
What light divides by travel but levels by reach!

CV

Instinct in the heart of ascending sun,
Trapp'd between the bleak arrows of the black
Holes as strings of points linear'd in the rack
Of a sky too old to indulge in this fun!
Your beauteous lustre'd mien often
Glows within the eye of nenuphar-stalk
Waving the wind, winding the wave and walk
Round this tank-bed reflecting my ken!
Now your thud reminds; Reached is the reachless
By restraint, rest and yoke; and saved
Is the saveless by conservation to bless
This life with a flux; these waters waved
And wave to behold the moon of a guess
Built-in amid sun cordial red rayed.

CVI

What a reciprocal of a crescent
Showering honey-dew for this bird
Of outstretch'd wings of thought to gird
The cupola of over-sky ever bent
On the un-own'd earth (of whose) ne'er spent
Aswim with its lunar-cell'd sphere plus curd
Of a white cloud adrift as occur'd
Between the convex-concave complement.
Hyper-para bola. Magian inversion!
The perfect round results. Annular love!
King and almanac shudder in fun!
Many a chakor turn many a dove
To flutter the full on new moon none
Melting myriad moons in orgied now.

CVII

Archer's grip. Mid-brow. Nenuphar smell. The arc and the chord. An-archery! Shines the moon pearly pale over the tree Ever green imblued by lily-smile What a sub-floral torsion! what tricky guile To convey the 'sorge' of this simile Of unbroken bow-brow-pair-wielderess-bee-String as strumm'd, pulled chord. The style Is the deity. Askesis in a poise Of floral float, one seater, solo, In love and concern for the being's joys And their inferior converse high or low! Let mine eyes flit on the mind-index-voice An ocular proof of a frozen flow.

CVIII

Twilight is fire. A double dammerung!

Dawn and dusk in between the Sun and Moon.

Trine eyed supremo! your half-lit rune
Is gem-cut on the léeped yard-cow dung
smear'd holy, comely, kolam'd with flung
Pin-shots of light from stars sooner than soon
Heaping rays in a bee-skep of a dune;
And my beatless heart in a way had sung
This fulcrum-fire fane of a fore-temple
Writing scripted light in a vein'd way!
The coolth and warmth in a picked simple
Of light exuding kindness! Discus! Day
Night, Libration, harmonic to sun; dimple
Spinning moons; eyes open to unsay.

CIX

Inflorescence! Half open or half shut
Sedating through smile of eyes auspicious,
Upstream dacning of grace given to guess,
Cornering the seers by throwing, but
Wooing, befriending in a sleepy rut
Moving pupils o'er the cornea to press
Forward on the looker with an agape's stress,
Speaking, drawn long, broad, open, wide; and strut
Performing, outnenupharing the flower
Fused with nymphae, honey'd in the wake,
Hooded pudicity witching the 'hour'
For the quenching of the thirsty's sake,
Capitalling in a triumph of tower
Like pre-eminence eightfold in one take.

CX

Your eyes leer to either extreme with ease And shower such darts sending the foes sleep. Star-time. Jealous Orion. Sirius peep Into the warfield. Triumph-apartmentees. Eyes protect the people and whiff a breeze, Of perfumed magnanimity sky deep, Civeted, sickled to solitary-reap; Cutting eye-lids; a harvest of plenties; Goddesses entice e'ery vagrant soul To eye your beaming cross-referring sight, To feel how eye's arresting turn of role Petrifies the foes conjoined in one might Sol-ly entrapped in a thoughtless fix to foul Their aberrant array and leap as light.

CXI

Eyes listen, style, blink, bibe the nectarine. Honey-bees hum and suck to their fill; The floral poesy's set to thud and thrill; Bee-pair hum home; earshot; vespertine; A melodic, Sportive flitting in line With the notations of prosodic drill; Ends the sport; gynoecium; entelechy-spill-Over; eye-lover, ear-lover form the twin As folded fore arms servitoring to pray For a bliss of tele-sight, eye-opening To gaze beyond the limits of love-inlay; There flowers in a tropism turn to wing; Moon-lit-petal-collectors of acosmic ray Kohl-like, adance as perianth nodding.

CXII

Desire become gaze now dreads the other
Other than the Ens, now shying away
Grieving, Sighing, jealously o'er the play
Of fellow-desire flowing from ether
Down to make a sea in tidal tether
To moon and sun and fire in a tri-way
And fire-gazing gaze marvels to bay
The selene in a miracle-featherRace of chakors fast fearing the node
Of ophitic stare encountering in a war
Of sloven revelation in a cross of star
-Lit sky pouring pathos thro'pores of grace-cloud
That our Pritvi woos by her sarovar.

CXIII

Iris feathered arrows! calyxed eyes!
Looking canthus-ward! Avert me to yours.
Mine of crow-feet perch in shadow-verse
Of your speaking cilia of star-winked-skies;
Palpebrally in periods, in pure praise
Of thud-power to Parasara in me. Curse
Withers. Askesis, Eros, and whatever errs
Finally wither to nenupharize
Every eye feasting in its cenacle
Between the arrow and the eye runs a line
Of difference double; the former's kill
Is the latter's love. and to pen consign
Your looks my 'vagrancy o'er the pinnacle
Of mountain-snow flowering in moon-shine.

CXIV

Black Kohl! Cornea Milky! Lunular-Red Aadirai-shift. Collyrium-tremens. Breed-time. Vision. Beings sigmoid in cover. Eggs exclaim. Shells break. Scattering. Centrifuge. Instead Of fleeing, matter clots in your homestead From fractional to transcendental, Prime To ultimate, omneity to claim; Carmine red veins stripe the sky, Betel-Red. Srishti, Sthithi, Pralaya, Thud, Thud, Thud. Cordial taps; Entelechy-change abed On serrate move of a marine toss Of a spring tide; lingulate, spotted Folds of edged luvia pre-neap acerose.

CXV

Ganga-Lactic droops east on her milk-way;
Blue-black Jamuna follow eastward ho;
River-auric overflows west mid-brow;
Styled thus, 'T-rivers' vein the triple eye-play;
Glacier white, fluvial dark, azure outlay,
To cut a deltoid debouching fellow
With alluvion consequent to know
Orient-Occident-Obsequent essay
Of headwaters and thy reach to feel the bores.
The zigzag upstream suck, the reserve line;
The beacon-across meets the crossing pores;
Tritons, rock chips, rapids, humps of land, mine,
Junction of slips plus access and mores
On the viatic feeder mews of incline.

CXVI

Eyes open; neunuphars bloom; spring equinox; Eggs, the shells break; seed sprouts; vagitis Ebbs, the first cry. Whole live-stock; Night is Day-dreaming; a lid-closure on the rocks Codulius cordiflora knocks; Surabhanam! Day-Night in dyad's ease; Trees green; birds wood-peck at the boles to please Their pileum; stars spy winkless on their walks Over the belt and the zero to simulate Thy reading, agni-fying fiery looks! Ken and creation. Closure and sleep. Sagittate Shaped to dark in the ovoid-lux, To twin-spin the creative capitate! Eye-seeing-as-being. Srishti-Drshti-nux!.

CXVII

Fish-free auric purifier! Tiddler-eyes!
Female fish full fathom lie elsewhere,
In dread of your holy eyes' Quotidian care.
Nenuphars not open, wait on piscine skies
Of night. you hide in the sleep-yoke of guise.
Flower sealed; Eye-fish exit; There and near.
What doors flip open, what shut, what feat!
Bide the open season. Corolla lies.
Wonder-wakeful-lake-view. fadeless petal.
Eyes a-needling the ears to converse
Consult, confabulate! Quetzal-Kotl
As hooded eye with ever open hood stirs
Off the nether-bed of silexed del.
In the press of this thought-priest, I immerse.

PRITVI

A PLAY
A METAPHOR
A SERVICE

By

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Skies. She resents the "mal" practice of Maal and the swanking of Brahma even. Full Breasted in the kshetra of Aaroor, she sighs when servitors and teachers throng and woo the Lord. The very stars at the time of Aadirai festival come carnate to console her but in vain. She slights them all exempting Abijit. The Lord as a celestial whisper pacifies her, needling her Lotus by a zenithal dew, "informing" her. Pritvi turns hospitable and gravid to receive more of the "agape". Of the stars, Revathi and Anuradha representing a teacher-devotee pair enter the sanctum of Vanmeeka and perform their aanmartha pooja. In the rite, the descent of the Lord to the moolaadhara is felt by Pritvi, and the auric ash fulfils her in an "amurtha" of Time. There then, a Sivacharyar appears and with the stars' sankalpa venerates the Lord. Two student servitors in the corridors read this divine pedagogy.

Author's Note

The opening song of this play is rhythm and beat correspondent with Aaroor Ther's mammoth-move! The echolalia in the middle should be gradually amplified to accost the stellar in an alien sound-language and in a numinous nomenclature.

I have feminized in the personae of Revathi and Anuradha, the two preceptors of excelsior spirit and merit: Thiru T.N. Ramachandran and Thiru K.G. Seshadri like temple twins in one complex. The simultaneity of their on-stage presence, therefore, is a theatrical compulsion.



The astronomical allusions are faithful to my knowledge of Surya-siddhanta. The proscenium and backdrop may hence be suggestively shown with luminous lines of polar longitudes. The chorus-semichorus chants are puranically recursive and proemlike. Any attempt to theatrize this has to subserve the "auditory" imagination proper to the wordage and this must be attested by extra dramatic devices at work from decor to tormentor through a "fine excess".

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PRITVI

This playlet is a sort of triduan service; and is a metaphor of prayer to the great Teachers, Servitors and AaroorKshetra. (The opening song is by "Kavi Kokila Dr. V.RAGHAVAN, a True Kamala Tyaga Bhakta" and a Native of Tiruvarur. (Former Head of the Sanskrit Department and cousin of my mother).

I chose this song for the exordium of this play quite insitinctively from out of the many in the preciously kept scroll of my mother. To me the song seemed to serve as an artifact in one medium while I gestated in mind the form of my play in another; which in a way, I thought could illiuminate my choice of the song and assist me in the delineation of a common aesthetic suspected to lie beneath the chronotope of the play, namely Aadirai-Aaroor. The hymnic in the song stirred me in star-time and the puer senex in me, such that I could approximate the rhetorical form of my play to the rhapsodic utterance combining words and music in an empathetic rage and subtle arousal. This in fact could critique my tenuous effort as a symbol for subjective participation in the artifact. The eye of the reading audience may like Ptolemy's "leman", discerningly undergo an engaged subjectivity in which one would admit the aural iconicity as the price of a selective spotlighting on the chronotope. The song thus would help our gazing on the stage. May we be reminded here of the Greek [Phao] signifying PRITVI as robed in a bower of light, initiating our eagerness for the orphic, flamboyant, paradigm, underway.)

PERSONS IN THE PLAY

Pritvi (Earth)

27stars

Revati, Anuradha (Two women devotees)

Sivacharyar

Chorus, Semi-chorus band of women.

PRITVI

Aaroor Temple, Vernal Equinox, The day before Aadirai festival.

ACT 1

(A chorus of women sing the Lord in the temple precincts. In the background Sama chant like a slender sound track is heard. The song is divinely frenzied. There is a seeding of sounds to effloresce bunching them in beats. The time of the year is tending to spring, Racemes of konrai have appeared in advance.)

Chorus (song)

Tyaaga kamala Tyaaga Vimala
Tyaaga Natana Tyaaga Varadha
Vishnu Hrudhaya Jishnu nagara
Sreepura Sadhanaa! (1)

Charana mayitha mayitha vahutha Ihapadhayuga muraga sadhrusa Abhaya varadha karayugamapi Nahivilokaye! (2)

Tyaagaraaja kinkaromi vatakadham baje Mandhahasitha mandhadhaya mukuambaje athavaa Amrutha sisira mruthulahasitha Vilasithaadaraa! (3)

Gungumugumu nirjarakara nothkira nayanaa Hasitha jalaja yuvathi dhayitha dhisasusemushi: Vigatharaaga vigathakaala kalitha sruthi padham Apararahitha dhaharaviyathi Natasipadhavibho! (4) Takkitathaki paata chathura
Maadhavahasa matthalalaya
Paamagaswara paata chathula
Devagaana raajita! (5)

Paavanamuni paarsadheekshiTaadbudhanija pushkalarasa
Thaandava madha vaatranatasi
Tyaagaraaja boho! boho! (6)

Semi Chorus

(upon the kolam'd floor close to dhwajasthamba are seen a band of women praising the kshetra and reading the advent of great stars.)

Heart is ardhanariswara. Here is Hrudayakamalam. The very air is musical chhanda. May van-tondar crave A deemed-devotee status! Let us all be enslaved On this Gospel'd Earth! May love-driven souls Chase the Paravaiyar of Grace. Aaroor is flawless, Girt with fields adance Hymning and humming The great helical strand Of Servitorship, Of teachers great, Anthologizing all love. Behold the ant-hill

Ruby-red, Meru-gold

With no equinoctial shadow;

At the feet of which shall gather

Arasu and prince of Pukali,

This is a place of meet

Mutual, auspicious and truth-ful

For colonizing with love

With service proverbial.

Earth is nest here.

Servitorship like teachers'

Verbigeration shall have to continue ever.

That is nesting within.

See yonder the funnel shaped sandhole

For every soul to roll in.

O! edentates, please roll in.

Dwells within an ant-lion

To assimilate you into the hill-site

upon which lord's feet

Incessantly tap.

For this the lion among

Brahmins shall hail from

Cool pukali; for this and to feed

The famished world

Paddy mountain shall move over here;

Even consciousness, the character of Prapanca;

Shall be honey'd, licoriced;

And for this, Devas shall step aside and admit in

Servitors and students,

You shall be enroll'd

Into a new Deva-saba.

And poongkoyil shall outshine Denebola

For all to come by gold,

Roof auric shall be henceforward thine,

And this shrine is a gold mine;

Have thy bosoms turned gold.

Be a van-tondar

To be one with the wonder.

The Hill of Aaroor is splendour.

Let thine eyes weep a tear,

Manifest tear of joy,

Your love should soar

Like the ever grown Ant-hill

And expanded tank

With ripples of thoughts

On the Filcher and the filcher!

The way the yaazh, played

The theme of Lord's power

That kicked Death to death

Is still in the air, in a Northerly!

For a good beholder

The seer of Aaroor is seen.

The very stars shall assume shapes and come *

And sing this pritvi

To have their karmic clay pot cut across the subtle gross

And sublimate camphor like

By one thought-hike.

Thanks to suddha Maya!

Sauce for the Vega!

Sauce for the Vela!

Here you walk at the End.

Entelechy is past routines,

Panguni river ever flows,

The Quotidian is all differential.

formless and formless form. An ant-hill is an Ant-hill; The stope is another glide; We know not far and wide. The stars shall by advent Rise and tell this all In the bliss of space unspatial, In the kiss of body uncarnal, In the shout scholastic unontic: To make you hear the Sruti. Aaroor is name and names. Naming Crowds the Cavern. The whole sky in a cup! Before the ore-hill Stretches grammatology Past the limiter modulus To wonder at the Sankalpa Of the super-luminal Ens Of this Pritvi. Sing, there-fore sing Sing Earth, sing her green Her smaragdite, Her granite, her diorite, Her siderite, her many a saivite, Her perennial Corydalis! The crown'd Lark is on the wing! Auspices!

(Pritvi appears as a gravid mother)

Pritvi: In me is He

I am fine within.

So full of Him, His "ahamsa", "ajapa"

Dancing, bathing on what a fluid fire!

The very Nife within

Is surrendered to Him,

And His trident.

This is agony and ecstasy

To be full of Him

Whose two thousand-tusk'd

Tusker frisks about

Within me, me, me, me

Escalating my madness.

Craving more I beg Him;

Greening more I run mad;

I spin mad, I bulge mad;

I drink elements;

I tender fire:

I am He-mad;

I admit cenotes to culture Ash;

Iam mad-blind.

And in my speedy zufal

He pierces me in tusker-hide,

From side to side.

I am athirst.

He Quenches me in a Lotus-pool,

To dazzle before me once again

And disturb my immense flower.

None can near me now.

I am terrific, jealous.

Be the hand of mischief Cut. Be the teeth of the spy knock'd; Be the apsides and nodes scrambled; In my sea-like swell Of passion-pronged heave, May His Vatavaagni Maintain the Level-Me. I grow Crystall'd within To hold His flame-tongue Granting me the taste Of every shoot and root. Beloved are the stars. But they compete! I am hence on the thorn. Turn me into a nenuphar. For ever I may turn My pistil'd wisdom Into the proto-word! Into the proto-grammaton! I am a little scared, in the yoke of "Nidra" For I recall the grand dissolution And the bones of swan and Boar With those of tusker's Trumpet within the golden womb And every gripe turns a triple joy For Ganga, uma and I, Aye! I secrete honey. The many needled Vanmeeka Moistens me. My insides, Caverns are actinic ray-lit;

Are gem-lit, cane-beaten,

Paddy browsed, juice-washed, Flute-hissed, coral scratched. Pearl-pelted, Fear-sipped, Bee-hived, locks-brushed, Konrai-wreathed, Crescent-prick'd, Bone-cinctured, Crane-peck'd, Snake-sizzled, Veda-boom'd, Rishab-hooved, Lotus-fibre'd Fretfully, fretfully marine-currented Salted, suckled, curdled, Butter'd, ghee'd, Linctus-touch'd. Nectar-fermented, azymously! And finally, finally, Water-irrigated To be one'd with Sadasiva My sheer entelechy. I too am wasp-waisted now.

(Pritvi sighs)

With Him and Uma in Me.

(Pritvi Swoons) (Rises again)

Why should these teachers,
These Four Greats,
Cry Him, Hymn Him,
Quarrel with Him,
And esoterically woo Him?
Why all the stars
Seven and twenty
From Sambandar's To Sekkizhar's

Beam upon Him their Profuse pin-shots of light? And twinkle titillated.?? My golden womb is irate! I can't brook a star, Its junction, its intervention, Its clandestine shift Red to blue, hue to hue, First or twenty seventh in this queue. Is my Siva, a mere dazzler My argent womb is delicate! Let the stars, if they be pure Come, descend, embody And confess shedding their light On what they are and what they want! And let sadasiva by drum-taps And thuds talk to Nilotpala buds On what I want! Until then, I shall do Tapas, Tapas do In one-handed fire Microfining my roundedness Poised on a needle's edge. For when I see the hide I turn ichorous! Woe unto me, should I spin? For when I eye His throat Should I seek room in Blue? Lord, this Pritvi of yours Is mad with you, you mad. For when I see you forehead-eyed

I turn a nenuphar-stalk and my waist died!

I know thy sepentine ways!

There is a snake for every star!

For every Devaasura War!

Your trident kills me! Aha!

What injection! What interjection!

Now I read thy crimson.

Are you for me or for that you red radiant rayed giant.

Plough me with thy mazhu.

Plague me with thy hue.

Author my aeon, my axial time and incline

I envy Thy Bull.

Ride me in turn;

Sport me as your deer;

Quell my mrugasiras;

Quell with a konrai-shoot;

And loot me utterly

Down to my melliferous deeps.

Why burn the triple town?

I long for thy fires.

I am endo-thermic; endo-karmic;

Through the feet of thy servitors

Walk over me, run over me

Set aglow all my lamp-wicks

By thy arch-thermo-dynamics.

Cycle me in Thy cycles.

Like seas my sands bubble.

Thine eyes are sweeter

To behold. Let me insalivate.

The springs within me

Are abundant as thine

Seven seas of sweetness.

Let my woods turn the wings of whirring bees!

Let my latitudes be my bangles!

Let Meru on both ends be my crest jewel and anklet!

Let this comely Kamali

Woo thee, the birth-annulling Kaapaali.

Lock my jewel and kazhal my anklet;

Undo my schizm and split.

Would tou take me in

Eat me, chew me,

Hold me as a sublingual pellet.

How I wish I lozenge thy throat.

How I wish I lace thy neck

Make that serpent slough and become its skins

And scales atleast

To partake of thy Venom-feast.

By thy tap, the right tap

Intonate me;

Make my geoid grammar;

Etymologize my vaapi;

Constellate my sands;

Ritualize my-noxes and-stices;

Recite my spherical hum.

Lord! Abide here.

Quell not my desire.

But quelling is thy habit.

Know me as another Baagheerati.

Overpower me, I need to ache

For all your seven world's sake.

Animate my waist, conglobe me in thy arms,

Eternally, elementally,

Engender me; With thy grace.

Let my bulge be pride;

My gravity my passion;

My nife my wrath;

My spin a delusion; My curvature my thrift;

My long wait my envy;

I am of thee

by thee

in thee

Nandi;

proud of being the first of forms,

I ache for the linga

Acting downward on every granule;

I'm angry that thy streaked chest wears ash and not me;

With the turning cusp of the moon on thy crest,

I turn and turn dizzied;

May I give little room for all else but thee

So thriftily to flame up for my pet Thief to steal in and hang me low

Like a Big Drop about to drip!

Into my hip-deep hip!

I shun all stars

I envy them all atop those tree tops of the ficus-forest.

Lord, percolate into me

And pervade and for e'ey small ecologic flaw

Turn me flatulent and gurgle within my burning inside

And percussion a kudamuzha,

And exhilarate me

By thy expert play perform Thy aquarobics in me, Inflame me, Whistle me, Azure me, sol me, selene me, and ensoul me, In every ens. Animate, and mate And consummate this Kamali That I carry all thy mudras And swaras seven For the musical trio To wed the singer with the song, The hymn with the hymnodist; That I be Lotus'd Lotus-eating, Lotus seated, Stall'd in Lotus, Entempled in Lotus,-The flower and the tank; That I be simply Pritvi Hercogamously safe Spinning in wait, in long wait For a senescent Kali To finish sickled in Time: That I, then, all aflame Get commixed with thy pillar fire Corall'd red and green With all my cave-heart Envisioning the Half In thy One-Foot

As sound and light
As Nada and Jyoti.
Within me waters a tremble
Dance and strand in five fold hum
In a graceful kapalam.
Be this so Be this so
Tyaagaraaja boho boho!

(Then Pritvi Hums)

Don't you know My Lotus Feet With Ever Open petals Never thaw'd by ice or ire Upborne on my forehead Part yours Part Mine; And how I grieved, heaved, In that conjugate of Time, When you lifted my petal-soft And placed it on the hard black stone Heavy as tungsten!, Distracting my leering eye By some Arundati, know you not? Lotus bed is selene, serene, On the forehead moon of moons! Chandramamanasojataha! MAY YOU KNOW ME PRITVI! MAY YOU KNOW YOUR PRITVI!!

Voice from Above

Be not perturbed; Quake not, tremor not; Burn not, boil not; All the stars are for you. There shall be descent of theirs.

Their divinities and Regents

Check their moves.

Loathe not them.

They shall visit, body forth,

And familiarize their selves

To you. I am held fast

By you, your love ever

In real, unreal Time,

In "murtha" and "amurtha".

You are my "oor"

And from the "oort"

I shall show them unto you....

Asvini: Pritvi, we are come. Now Two, now three, in a gallop!

We open the year for you. Tokening the opening first let us beam on thee ash-sharatan!.lm1

Prithvi: Oh! Hippo pair, Get gone and be back in Aippasi, in full moon, to blanch me further white in love-longing.

Bharani: Upon Thy Delta, Pritvi, I am eager to tread. I am carrying. Mother, as you are, I think, shall never be...

Pritvi : Delighted to see you, your borealis! In the month of karthikai, in moon-made days, when chanks of water pour on the Lord, you show up through the wick'd lamps.

Krittika: Pritvi, I shall have all your temples lit for your sake. We are a sixer of light.

Pritvi: Before my Lord, Pillar fire, your divinity must salute. I pity that ignis fatuus in you. Correct your blade and,

handle, or by my Lord's wrath, you shall be cut to size. Do not pride over your thick-set-ness. All right who is that follower?

Rohini : Prajapati-sent.

Pritvi : I abhor thy ruddy rrudeness!

Rohini : Sorry, Mother, I am a poor wain. But a wheeling

sequence. May I help thee spin?

Pritvi : Tush. You cusp of moon!,-Lo! Deflects another; I

sniff musk. Is this Lord's arrow??

Mrgasiras: Pritvi. I am of thy cenote. That smoke antelope shaped as it well'd up, Lord aimed my head. I am

properly His Havis. You may call me back.

Pritvi : Intervene not. I'm in tight embrace with my Lord. I

hate the very arrow that sever'd thy head. Let my

womb be the quiver to collect Lord's darts.

Ardra: I moisten at this very site. I feel that something storms me adown to be with you. There is an inner

run of a fluid. Aren't I a liquid gem!

Eye me please.

Pritvi : Let Rudra make you weep or cry. Don't crave the

sky I hold within. He, My Lord is mine.

Punarvasu: Dear one, I am Aditi-sent I know the Mother-in-

you Let my recursion be good. Admit my double of

goodness in.

Pritvi : Vasu, I have shut myself in. Why seek a chamber

in the globule of me. No mother, I shall turn thy

mother-in-law.

Pushya: Brhaspati my supervisor controls my image. Fain I make thee prosperous, nourished and auspicious. My love for you and the lord is great; I curve the arrow head And tilt the crescent adjusting them to Lord's grandeur.

Pritvi : That is conquethes! I can't stand the very fact. Try never cosmetically on Him.

Aclesha: With my beams, why not entwine, embrace you!

Pritvi : Fie. shut up. Don't show your dendrophis and dance of seduction.

Magha: Let me give my might to you.

Pritvi : O! manes of clouds, your might is murk to me. Pass by.

Phalgunas: I am ficus..

Pritvi : Hara Hara. Show not figs. I know my couch My bedstead for My Lord.

Hasta: Mother, I am light-driven. How I wish Lord clasps my Hand.

Pritvi : I shout you out Five digits - let them curve in Ravenous cretinous smirk. I hear you caw I hear you bark. I hear the hook'd ram dashing the sky, Beware. Pritvi is Lord's Navy too.

Chitra: I am Truth, Mother. Spica is Truth; Truth, spica.
I'm the artifice of thy maternity. I shall bring light pearly shipshape.

Pritvi : O! senile flame get gone. wicked virginis.

Svati : I shall grant you a sword of light.

Pravi No. thank you. I know the slaws of your long. Your branches hinder my celestaal tree of lone. Why who was you freckle The Pure Light of Lord Vicaka For Pure Love of Lord Pritvi Love is not, any star's take Jveshtha Mother I shall brown sweep and comb and aper a clear sky and kumkum a hy my red I shall dadde in your ear-rung and beat in the heart Pritvi O' the eldest one. You are in the ring risk in the have no ear Need I speak to vou? Mother from southwest I come I make that god Mula the releaser in one. Don't you see beavers good upon me Why this boast I see none but He Pritvi Ashadas From waters and the collective gods we savely. We are a pair. We are ever given due Don't couch your prode in the piercene taker is law Pritvi Know my Lord as the Weater of the hade O' Creatny' I salute thee Brahman am I liter the Abhant. pluck and got strumen d. I know a maximum of Matrix for All. Hence like a lammer general swamped a ram

to you submitting to thee

In submission you have conquered My kindhess Princi



Lord bless thee I see thy Trikonaakara Mandalam. This is Lord's Delta. Drip thy light. Cascade a light-fall you are great as such "Imponderable to touch" you are Light and Fall when I am close to equinox. Orthodox Light. Orthodox Fall. A beaming surrender to the Lotus-feet of His!

Cravanam: Mother, I have heard of your Aadirai festival. I limped in ascension to meet you.

Pritvi : O! you the trekker of the Boar's three steps Astriding Heaven. Lame Name. May Lord Greet us All.

Cravanam: Mother, even as I trip on the steps, I feel the trident.

Commend my coming unto this arena.

Cravishta: Vasu-sent, let me fourfold Increase the weal on this Addirai-Eve.

Pritvi : So be it.

Catabishaj: Orders from Varuna and we are here. A Hundred physicians.

Pritvi : Where is the cure for the triple-flaw? You can only nod!

Bhadrapadas: From the Square of Ucchaisravas we are happyfooted rushing to thee our shapes of ox and carp, bed and twins, beautifully bifaced...

Pritvi Stop. Your faces are the indices of your intents.

Pritvi is incorruptible. Let her tapas be not disturbed by a hippodromic rush of a couple of couple of stars like you!!

Voice from above

Pritvi, contain yourself.

These stars are singers too.

I am ever with thee,

When you listen I listen.

Founder of you,

Founded on you,

I remain yours;

And ordain all these mansions

To accommodate

All servitors, abiding servitors

With their beams of benediction.

Do not star-war:

For they shall all be starved

If they don't see you.

Your nenuphar-looks

May smile on them

That they sing dropping

Sound words to gurgle

With the five-faced drum

I play on.

The drum never fails the Drummer

For I am the Coolth and Warmth

And the Summer of both.

Nenuphar and Lotus,

Needle and Eye,

The thread of Bakthi

Is never cut.

Let the music of the spheres

Be the food of Bakthi.

I shall "agape" it!

Pritvi darlingest dear,

I shall deck your ears,

Hear the star-drippings.

Echolalia

(From the firmament sounds cascade thus:)

Alhanah nieu nieu

Assimak kio kio

Addeberan Hin Hin

Sad-al akbiyah Mao Mao

Leu Ar risha Leu

Tse Al bula Tse

Ki Aahdira ki Ash shawla kuei kuei

Albutain che-pi pi

Sin-attarf sin alghafr chin chin

Ajjabhah-fang chang-azzubanam.

Fang-Chang-Big Bang.

Chorus

The sounds we have

heard are transluscent

Aaroor is starlit!

Aaroor is star-oor, in a chaldaic idiom!

Act II

Aadirai Day. Aaroor Temple Sannidhi.

(The Temple Car is on the move.

The people who drag that

"Chittira-ther" shout in joy Hara Hara)

Dhee Dhee Dhee Hear the names Hara Hara All oors are here Hara Assembled in rows here Hara Kaar, kunroor, kudi, Kadavur, Mizhalai, Mangalam Kaazhi, kaalatti, kanchi, Tillai, Mayilai, Tanjai All oors are Aaroor Hara Hara The names of servitors ring: The air is golden dust; Therefore sing our king; We shall all be blest; Drag this vasuki of rope, Lose your eyes, gain your eyes, By twice a faith and twice a hope! All are servitors in guise. Hara Hara Hara Hara Dhee Dhee Dhee (Kokkarai, Montai and Muzhavan play)

Chorus

(A band of women sing)

Have the lamps lit And in their light read Nami Nandi's creed. Aadirai knows Nakkar's haste.

The blown away spider forgives the tongue.

The niveous half is ablister

For too much thought is tongue-twister!

From light and thought we are taught!

(1)

From naming, Appothi knew

The tell-tale spell of Guru.

The deadly bite before Bakthi

Is tricked into a blessing

And snakes are left to mere hissing.

From bite and thought we are taught.

(2)

A mango fell by a law

In obeisance to Punitavati

And this falling was a calling

To Paramadatta.

From fruit and thought we are taught.

(3)

Kurumpar chanted Sundarar's name

And turned a Sidda in Mizhalai Grove,

By his Siva yoga and love!

From this sundara yoga subtly known,

We are taught and shown.

(4)

From Peru Nampi's plan

We are taught we are a clan

In the pain of a Jain was Grace;

Before coming face to face

With the Lord of Lords.

From the Lord of Language we know we know stage by stage.

He was hardly ten

And the kine obeyed

Even as he prayed.

We know we know

From this Vichara,

That the cows of the world

By instinct know

Their neatherd

In a word.

From the diviner of a servitor's wish

We know a fulfilment.

In the pool Pasupati stood

And chanted Rudram full.

From the chant do we know

Rudram's pull and glow.

Nandanaar longed in the long wait

And came by Tillai's light.

From the tank he dug and the fire-bath

He had, we know Siva's love and Siva's wrath.

Muruka gathered flowers;

Moorthi ground sandal;

Aanaya played the pipes;

Taayan gave sennel-keerai;

Manakkancharar adored the devotee;

Kalaya fumigated the wind;

And altered the very anemos;

Tinnan showed his eyes

To the world and lit the world:

Yenati worshipped Holy ash;

Eripattar killed a mammoth;

From this nothing, manythings show'd up;

Mei-pporul received the stab

For love of Ash and Aagama; From this caritas proceeded grace; The roofs cooked the pot; The seeds made the meal: From the rainy night Was known love's might. Maaran almost fed a devotee With germinated paddy. Yeyarpakai's gift Was a gift outright. And for the discerning eye The motley never cheats. The potter from the pot Has us all taught. The loom of Amar Niti Have the humid secret. Flower, sandal, pipe Keerai, konrai, wind, Ash, sword, seed, Wife, pot and loom All by an alchemy Into an auric dust "Neath our feet here Turn and have us turned. Therefore Have the lamps lit And in Aadirai read Niveous Nandi's creed And find a teacher in every ens In a mystic tremens. Let us cocoon ourselves in a mesh Of this vasuki-rope

And turn every thought siva-yogic, And breed them early, early, Pupiparously!

(The chorus band touch the vatam and the car dances its way) (The two Stars in their slow touchdown thus reflect aloud)

Anuradha: Revati, we are at right angles.

Revati: Never mind, our sine is one.

Anuradha: Our Co-Stars are so varied, cepheid...
Revati: We shall translate even Heat into Light.

Anuradha: Pritvi is gritty...

Revati: I know your angst.

Anuradha: Yet we are pious and plucky.

Revati: We never lose ground; do we?

Anuradha: Why, our sky knows no erosion, no sanddrifting. Revati: But we so overhang on the gee-gew, trivia, ha-

ha... trinket

Anuradha: Hence we wink at.

Revati : You mean..

Anuradha: Meru is our golden mean

Revati : Pritvi is a function, a great quantic!

Anuradha: Friend, Aadirai is Festival more homo-geneous.

Revati : Two and More. Servitors and Lord. A great

throng of variables! Yesterday we were in deviltry.

We were in fal-de-rollery!

Anuradha: Despite the purple, it is a samiti we are in.

Revati : Why, we ourselves are rhodolites, you more, I less.

Anuradha: More or less, Aadirai fosters hagiolatry. Let us laminate our light in flesh and bathe in beams of Betelgeuse's, then proceed.

Semi Chorus

On this Aadirai Day This Aaroor as ever, The Abode of Teachers Great. Four and more of them, Shall show the "way" Of Ammai-Appar, Of Appar, Sundarar, Of Sambandar, Manicka-vacakar, In fourfold words. Think of a kolu of them In the winding stair of a faith In mystical ascension. By stars we swear That the Teacher Great The perceptor Great Is concorporate with His servitor-pupil. This is a celestial Bondage. The Rtu spins the Moon In the set of stars Four or five vying with one another To feel the Fullness In this kaleidoscope, Once we have known and seen In Baikashi Anuradha bejewelled the Full Moon In Aippasi Revathi did the same. The Moon-mind of the pupil

Turns to a full round By the Rtu's will! What a cadence of Lord's steps! Hepthemimeral cadence! Of His supreme Ens! Between the Lord-preceptor And His disciple-servitor Runs a canyon Like the slender Uma of Blue Aeviternally true. The caesura runs round and round Like protective pranava sound. Hear, in Aaroor Hear Of this ageless caesura Corridor'd through the shrine; And have a third of karma Burnt in Pritvi's ire. And forefend another third By Guru-given grammaton. The rest is experience As will'd by supreme Ens. Thus does Arasu adores Aaroor: And the Child of Pukali comes: Paravaiyaar receives the gift; Ant-Hill envies the paddy Hill; Nampi hymns the Lord Pure; Aaroor is more than drums: The lotus stalk turns a stick: To walk with and Baktha is tested and tried; The Tank extends a lotus-lift: Tandi's insight reads His will;

The car plies thro' throngs thick; And yaazh ne'er fails the yaazhist; A crocodile brings a boy forth; From seed, sennel to sanctorum; Aaroor is Pritvi's forum; Aaroor is sheer Aurum; Here everything has taught And everyone has learnt And This is yoga! This is conjunction! This is Tyaga! Watch the devotees coming in. The pious star-pair. Teachers great and fair Translating with care All the great in their chelas By divine conjunctive laws! Ananda onward stars answer Down to pravardha. All for Pritvi's sake And for Lotus's lake.

(Near the sanctum two women devotees stand with folded palms adoring the lord inworldly performing an aanmartha puja. They equate the yogas to flowers and offer them to the feet)

Anuradha: Let flowers flower in conjunction. May nenuphar witness, with eyes wide open.

Let Vishkamba grass grow Priti fruits ripen Ayushmant flames soar up

Saubhagya red show

Shobana deer dance

Atiganda rains pour

Sukarman good flourish

Dhrti birds feather

Shoola serpents hiss

Ganda houses warm

Vrddhi couches spread

Dhruva beds-stead.

Vyaghata lights leak

Harshana flowers open Vaira buds close

Siddhi twigs break

Vyatipada corals shine

Variyas roots ooze

Parigha waters cool

Siva bow bend

Siddha corns grow

Sadhya coins roll

Shukla milk pour

Brahman ghee feed

Indra grains cook

Vaidriti stalks break

All are offerings to thee unconditionally, Pritvi!

Revati : The Black holes are the Nostrils of Thy Breath. I

surrender them all to thee. E'en Abhijit is thine,

By a yoga's sine!

Anuradha: You are Puranam touched, Pritvi. My saltutions to

Thy greatness, askesis.

(Revati and Amuradha Together sing the Lord and Aaroor of Pritvi. They sing their love of the Lord and kshetra. This song is an arcane occult incantation. Only the muffled final sounds are to be heard aloud. The rest is confidentially esoteric.

Revati and Anuradha:-

In a mobile perpetuam Lord, let us hug and hum. Effectually call us in Like as nenuphar fibre thin Would draw the sap up Into Her tubular cup. Our sanchitam in a petara; The pre-begun in a draw; We are star-light in the hub Of ecliptic of a rub Wheeling us into bleeding love Of irrepressible, calving cow. Let us make a little noise of life. Take our token signs in. We love Thy Feet-Dust Time. We welcome that Talcum in. We want to have the twin pooria leaves Osculate inside us. May we become triangles ninefold In our delta grow, let grow Kalpaka and kadamba trees; This kalpa be our bedstead; From the sphere of Agni To the one of lune Mercurially oscillate us. This thine sun-dried

Let flowers ring the sanctus bell What our tongues cannot tell A thin broth of jov Sounds of mussitation-Let the folds of skin Peel, - these skinny births. By some synastry, In the likeness of nenuphar Get our petal's layer'd prepace Get torn and our pails of milk Ichorously ooze as if From the must'd breasted tusker's head Upon this kalpa's Bedstead. And leave us viscid and wet, In one wink of thine. Let all this happen;-That one wink a He-wink Oordhavaretam Viroopaaksham. We twine with, feet thine Unlike the Boar's "mal" practice Unlike that aquatic cygnum's swanking We are atwinkle with thine eyes trine With digits thine slope us Into a tidal, "hidal" cadence. Dash us from mountain to plain. We part our left for thee. We speak and sing our left for thee. Unto thee our breathing Cave



For that flash-fling of your wave. Neither stone nor waters we be. Neither thick-set nor sky we be. Neither flame nor winds we be. But "betweens" we be Seize our flames flame-red inflamed. Bite our stubborn stalks With thy trident, tickling Us the more we resist; Swim and blow into us That ageless charge From thy "Murtha" Time Descend betwixt our brows; Titillate our bipinnate; Ash the churner of Mind once more! Vis-a-vis may we have you seen Ordaining us, our habit too! Aaroor is Vaaranasi! A milliard of Suns and Moons Bathe the linga of dunes We feel in our swansdown In a meet study-Brown! The word of parasambu In a conjugate of Blue In Saguna-Nirguna view Be heard. Lace our veined necks, Our liquid larynges, Twin-twelve petall'd flowers, And Drip your Crystal Dew. Like chakora birds of yore

Near the full blown lotus Sipping the floral juice Under Betelgeuse May we gaze the swan-dance And swan-dialogue Of vedas four and angas six And aalaaps eight To show us the via Thro' ashtadasagunitavidva We close our ears to the world Let the swan-twain cackle In a wordless high-way. Where may you blow winds And waft our petals ten. Aarooraar is Aavutaivar In the virat of this soma Set ablaze the gross By thy samvardhagns And by concorporate grace In enlivening Holy ash Render us red to blaze ever As kalpajeevi-pair' Come down as a liquid cloud In a six-petalled vial



To rid us of every flu By a constant lightning flash Inside the pitch-dark of us Impossible to gross guess. Let the murk and light of archery Bend, dart an aqueous shaft To kill the threefold-ailment And nescience and grant us weal By a scud of Sadasiva! Descend, Lord, urgently Into the dancing dais of delta! Dodder us in sheer delight. Let our triangles twirl and twirl In a centrepetal whirl Left and Right changing sides In probe of several glides. Rooted in this kshetra With Lasyam on thy left And Tandavam on thy right Thou art statant, sejant! In a patriarchate of Time, Here shall you un-Ash Ash And re-make this prapanca! Create the red-heat in us And in this hibiscus red, O! Lord of Vanmeeka!, Shake us in the Lotus O! Thatityaan! Complement us! Transfix us! In Thy Tumidity! In Thy Extramural Deepening Mystery!

ACT III

The next day, still in hold of Aadirai.

(Pritvi as voice from Moolasthanam: The muffled echoes are listened to by Revati and Anuradha.)

Pritvi ·

Servitors and Teachers. You know the way. You show the way. My Geoid Is My void poised. voiced, moist through mine eyes of Sun and Moon In Love of His Love that can kill all three Moera in one wink. If Lord is the teacher of teachers His love is for the servitor of servitors. From form to formless form be led thro' a

sankalpa

kalpa

alpa

pa

ah!

Your Pritvi is calathi!

She bears fairest fruit!

(Revati and Anuradha. Sivacharyar comes blessing them.)

Sivacharyar: In propitiation of whatever delights our Lord, On His auspicious Murtha of Time,

in the present kalpa,

in the present Manvantara,

in the present cycle aeonian.

in the yoke of present yuga,

in its present part, in this isle of this Pritvi,

south of auric Meru,

in the current geo-era,

in the running aoristic cycle.

in the start of the year,

in Sure's northward tropism, in Vasanta Rtu. in accrescent Moon, of the month of Chittirai, under the light of Aadirai, in Manasa Yoga, for the well being of Anuradha, her three stars her trin. her rows and successions under Mitra's drive, and for the weal of Revati ever near the ecliptic, for her two and thirty stars, for her drums and tabors to beat and broider the sky for her coincidence with the vernal equinox under Pushan's drive. and for the fellow-ship of Co-Stars all, for the four-fold attainments of Virtue, Weal, Love and the Next for Gnosis. Valiancy, and Deliverance, may we praise His Omneity in Sky's mantle and Pritvi's Ant-Hill in the radiance of a crore of moons; in the purple alcove of acuminulate mud; in the trine of His eyes, in the cassia locks. in the Blue of His neck, in the deer-skin vest, may we praise Him. Pritvi knows the plough! Let the rishis seven bless our determination. May the Triones of the sky circling round the Meru the literate void

Hara Hara Hara Hara.

Siva is our travelator.

Soul goal.

Om. Catholicon Praise Be.

Om. Ant-Hill-Dweller Praise Be.

Om. Fire-Bow-Wielder Praise Be.

Om. Primal Ens Priase Be.

Om. Ankileshwar Praise Be.

Om. Bull-Rider Praise Be.

Om. Monogynous Praise Be.

Om. Dancer on the Yoga Nidra, Praise Be.

Om. Lotus Feet Praise Be.

Om. Tirumoolattaana Praise Be.

(Bells chime. Two students in the Araneri corridors sing their teachers: The song is heard)

O! opulent ones, Teachers Great

With your performative caritas

Please,-alms-give

We stand before you with our bowls to receive

You have taught us

To mime a madness

(A half, one's - A half, its twin's)

Unmimeably extreme

With which we row home

In a double quinquireme

With love of Earth and Birth and Mirth

And Holy pentagrammaton

Each of the five letters unfurling:

Some wind in the sail,



An inbent outline of gratitude. Now, sirs, lift us aloft In slow motion In a leash of Time Occluded in a poetic asterisk Where we in vedic wordage frisk; Teknonymously reknowing you As Sisu's Bard or Sethu's Sage Down this ever-read page Ahistorically true. We salute, and foot-note The pulver 'neath the feet of the Saint-Pauranika The kalvar in Zenith of a beat of our lotus-hearts And dote and dote and dote On pulver-kalvar twin twinkle, So starr'd and so paired By Akileswara's Grace In a Mega-Via-Siva

OM TAT SAT

In spirited Servitordom.